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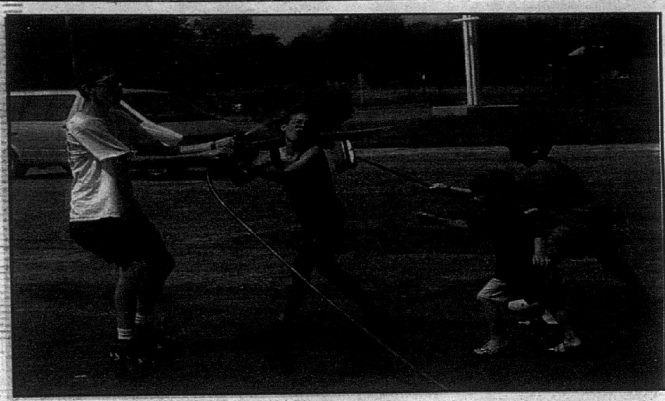
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**Cool fun** — Mark Moseley, 17, left, and James Gauen, 11, battle for control of the hose while Adam Kopchak, 5, and Ryan Sigite, 6, with the brush, get into the action during horseplay that erupted near the end of a car wash held by the St. John Lutheran Church youth group. More photos on Page 6A.

## Two charged with hate crime

### Pair allegedly threatened man

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

A juvenile and a 17-year-old were arrested Thursday, and the older of the two was charged with a hate crime after they allegedly threatened a 45-year-old Oriental man.

Police said the juvenile, a 15-year-old, and Timothy Harper of 2302 W. 23rd, are accused of threatening Richard Cheung of Granite City with sticks, chasing him into his house and calling him names.

According to the report, Cheung called police after entering his house. When an officer arrived at his address, he saw Harper and the juvenile in the man's back yard with beer cans scattered around them.

"Both subjects had a strong smell of alcohol on their breath," the officer said in the report. The officer asked if they had been drinking, the report said, and one replied: "Yeah, we're on private property, and we can do what we want."

Then the 15-year-old yelled to Cheung: "We

"Both subjects had a strong smell of alcohol on their breath."

— Investigating officer

don't need the ... police. We can settle this in our own way," the report said.

The officer asked him to stop yelling at Cheung, and he yelled again, "We'll just burn your ... house to the ground," the report said.

Both then yelled, "Yeah, Chink, we'll burn your house down," the officer said in the report.

The officer said the juvenile then told him he wasn't doing his job because police were allowing blacks and Chinese to move into their neighborhood.

Both were arrested and taken to the Granite City police station.

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## Unregistered sex offenders sought

### 15 from Madison, St. Clair counties

By Ron Wisdom  
Staff writer

A special Illinois State Police team is looking for convicted sex offenders who have failed to register in Southern Illinois.

Of the 22 people sought by the Strategic Investigative Response Team, 15 of them were last known to reside in Madison and St. Clair counties, said Sgt.-Greg Fernandez, a member of the team.

Fernandez said all 22 offenders were convicted of sex crimes prior to the passage of a law two years ago requiring them to register with local police. However, that does not exempt them from complying with the state law, he said.

"These (22) people are retroactive sex offenders," Fernandez said. "The law took effect about two years ago

"Sometimes we'll catch a break and find a family member who can help us. It's usually a step-by-step process where one person gets us a step closer."

— Greg Fernandez  
State police officer

and says anyone that was convicted within the past 10 years has to register. So we're going back to people who got out, say five years ago, who didn't have to register. All of a sudden the law comes in effect and they have to

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## Man charged with molesting 3

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

A Granite City man was charged Thursday with three counts of felony criminal aggravated assault for allegedly molesting three children for whom he was baby sitting, Assistant Police Chief Kip Pomeroy said.

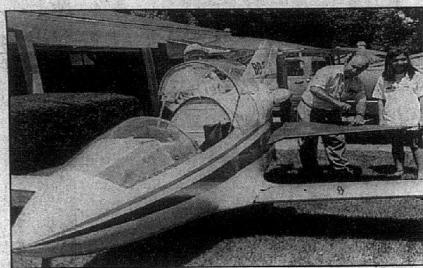
According to police reports, the man, 52-year-old Glen McDoo of 2801 Iowa, was arrested Tuesday after an anonymous

person called the police and said two people were arguing at McDoo's address.

When an officer arrived, the reports said, the father of the three children, who were 7, 5 and 3 years old, was confronting McDoo because they had told him McDoo "had done sexual things to them."

The officer who interviewed the 7-year-old, a girl, was told that

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(Staff photo by CHERYL MOODY)  
Larry Wessels works on his plane while daughter Rebekah looks on. Rudolph Wessels is in the plane.

## 28 years later, plane getting use

By Cheryl A. Moody  
Staff writer

In 1969, Larry Wessels decided to purchase an airplane — one that was unassembled in boxes and called a BD-5. The purchase price was \$1,600.

Now, 28 years later, Wessels has taken the plane out of storage for on-hands use in technology classes he teaches at Grigsby Middle School in Granite City.

The plane was hauled from Texas to Wessels' home in Belleville in the back of his brother's pick-up truck. The plane has deteriorated to the point that it can no longer be flown.

Besides that, the propeller-version plane is fueled by 10

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## Shoplifters beware

### Law toughens penalties on violence

By Ron Wisdom  
and Kimberly Haas  
Staff writers

Shoplifters caught in the act may now think twice before striking a merchant.

House Bill 1548, which was signed into law Monday by Gov. Jim Edgar, says that any shoplifter who strikes a merchant will now face aggravated battery charges, which is a Class A felony, punishable by 2 to 5 years in prison.

"I think we can safely say that this is a step in the right direction to stop serious careers in crime from starting," said State Rep. Ron Stephens, R-Troy, who sponsored the bill. "Young punks that come in and want to rough up a merchant ought to know that we're serious about it."

Only police officers were protected by law prior to Monday, said Stephens. Although striking a merchant could bring a misdemeanor charge on a shoplifter before last week, there was no law that provided this kind of protection.

While several merchants contacted in the area Thursday said they could not comment on the new law, police officials contend it is long overdue.

Retail theft statutes provide for merchants or their agents to detain people until the arrival of law enforcement agents if they have a reasonable belief that a theft has occurred, explained Fairmont City Chief of Police Scott Stephens.

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John Fuller, 15, is a member of the Granite City Youth Group.



## County OKs loan for development

### Two companies are interested in locating in 63-acre industrial park

A \$300,000 loan to Granite City, authorized by the Madison County Board Wednesday, is a step forward for a proposed industrial park in the city.

The city is currently working on a contract with Norfolk Southern Railroad to purchase the 63-acre tract, which is located on Missouri Avenue north of the A.O. Smith plant, said Dan Brown, the city's economic development director.

The city is negotiating with two compa-

nies to locate in the park, Brown said. The two companies would use approximately 20 acres of the tract, he said.

The loan, for a 10-year period, would help pay for infrastructure work at the park.

Cheryl Jouett, director of the county's Community Development Block Grant program, said that one of the businesses is a subsidiary of Pre-Coat Metals. The new business would be constructed adjacent

to the existing facility on Illinois 3, she said.

The other business is MCI, a metal-stamping company. It specializes in the creation of metal trusses instead of wooden ones for new construction, Jouett said.

The county resolution says 100 new jobs would be created if the two companies move into the park.

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# Going for the glamour

## Reporter gets makeover to look her 'absolute best'

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

When I first spoke with Cheryl Edmonds, owner of the Glamour Shots high fashion photography store in Fairview Heights, I got excited.

After 18 years of displaying an old college photograph of me in their living room — alongside recent photos of my sisters' and brother's families — my parents would finally have an attractive new picture of me, I thought.

Then Edmonds told me, "When you come in don't wear any makeup and wear a skirt."

"No makeup!" I thought.

"Gee, I wouldn't be caught dead without wearing my makeup!"

But there was a reason for that.

Glamour Shots cosmetologist Cindy Meinen was going to make up my face and my hair so that I would look my absolute best for the photographs Vickie Newcomb would shoot of me.

I relaxed. I would look beautiful.

I also would be photographed in expensive and sexy clothes at Glamour Shots that I would never find in my own closet.

That was the reason for wearing a skirt, I learned. The clothes were expensive jackets, blouses, glittering tube tops, earrings, necklaces and hats that I would choose myself to wear in the photo session. There weren't any skirts. The photos would show only the top half of my body. As soon as I arrived, Edmonds directed me to the clothes area of the store. There were so many!

"What looks do I want?" I asked myself.

Sixteen photos — all in different poses — would be taken of me in four different outfits, Edmonds said.

I chose a green sequins jacket with a glittering tube top; a bright red feather boa; green leather fringed jacket with a pearl-laced, low-cut top and cowboy hat; and a dark green satin wrap-around jacket.

Then, the preparations were ready to begin.

Meinen directed me to a beautician's chair and asked me if I was allergic to theatrical makeup.

I wasn't.

She then asked me if I wanted to wear my hair in curls or straight.

"Curls," I said.

"Great!" Meinen said. "I was hoping you'd say that. Curls always look good in our photographs."

She began curling my hair with electric rollers.

My hair is cut in a bob, and I wear it straight, so I was curious to see how it would look when she was finished. She was a miracle worker. My hairstyle looked fabulous.

While she waited for the curlers to do their job, she applied my makeup.



Michelle Duell in her Glamour Shots pose.

Meinen mixed colors together that matched my complexion, applied a theatrical foundation to my face, made up my eyes and chose a delicate shade of reddish-pink for my lips.

"You're ready to have your photographs taken," she said.

She then introduced me to Newcomb, who directed me to a roomy closet with a mirror. That was where I changed into my outfits — between photo sessions.

Newcomb shot test photos first. Then she began helping me into positioned poses.

As each set of four pictures was shot, she showed me a video screen that displayed them.

"I like this one," she said. "I think this is your best pose. Most people have a pose they do better than any other and I could change into my day clothes."

After I was dressed, she led me to a video screen that showed each picture and asked which ones I wanted to order.

I chose one for my parents and wallet-sized photos for my friends.

Then, Edmonds totaled up my bill, and said the photos would arrive within a week to 10 days. I paid my bill and thanked her. The film would be on file for one to one-and-a-half years, she said.

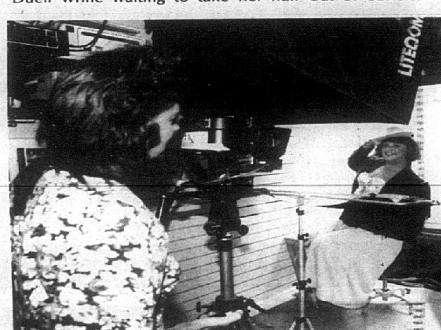
"If I had it to do again, I would definitely return to Glamour Shots for more photographs," I thought.

When the photographs arrived, and I returned to Glamour Shots to get them, I was happy with the results.

"My parents would be pleased too," I thought. They would be receiving the photo taken in the green sequins jacket.



Cosmetologist Cindy Meinen applies eyeliner on Michelle Duell while waiting to take her hair out of curlers.



Vickie Newcomb takes a picture of Michelle, who is posing in an outfit supplied by the studio.

## Owner bought store 'because it's fun'

By Michelle Duell  
Staff writer

The Glamour Shots high fashion photography store in St. Claire Square Shopping Center in Fairview Heights is owned and managed by Cheryl Edmonds, who bought it because "it's just fun."

"It uplifts a woman's attitude toward herself," Edmonds said. "We use theatrical makeup. It hides a lot of flaws."

Edmonds said the store does photo sessions for all ages.

"For the babies, we ask that the moms have them," she said. "We do 17-year-olds, families, and moms and daughters."

"Sometimes it takes time to try on a wardrobe," Edmonds said. "But, it usually takes one-and-a-half to two hours to do everything. It is fun. It's the idea of coming in — the hair and the makeup and the whole look goes together."

"There's a wardrobe in here that you would never see at home, and the makeup makes all the difference in the world," she added. "We encourage people to come with a friend, because it's more fun with a friend."

"In addition, we keep film in the store for a year to a year-and-a-half for people who want to reorder."

Pictures start at \$35, and a sitting fee is added, Edmonds said.

## 911 service for deaf will be reviewed

The federal government has instituted a review of services for deaf people at 911 answering stations throughout Southern Illinois.

Local administrators say the review probably is not necessary in Madison County, because the county's 16 answering stations for 911 calls all have access to telecommunications devices for the deaf.

A local deaf person's advocate, Amy Blough of Impact Inc. in Alton, said the deaf people is worth monitoring.

Blough, who is deaf herself, spoke to a reporter using a TDD machine through the Illinois Relay Service.

"It is very important to deaf individuals that we are assured of access to the 911 system," Blough said. "If not for this access, we could die or be left stranded somewhere without help on the way."

Callers using TDD communicate by typing their words into a machine that sends electronic signals over the phone line. The receiving machine reads the signals and displays the typed words on a screen.

Emergency 911 stations are required by the federal Americans With Disabilities Act to have TDD access for each phone line coming into the location. Training of personnel is also required.

During training, 911 operators are taught to recognize TDD calls, even calls where the line seems to be silent.

A public education program regarding availability of deaf communication devices at 911

stations is also required.

The federal review of 911 stations was announced locally this week by U.S. Attorney Charles Grace, whose offices are in Fairview Heights.

"We are reaching out to 911 operators because effective communication can save lives," Grace said in a prepared statement.

"Access to 911 service has been a serious problem for millions of Americans who are deaf, hard of hearing, or who have speech impairments," he said. According to Grace, the Department of Justice can seek relief in federal court if a 911 center fails to comply with the ADA.

David Whipple, 911 coordinator for Madison County, said he is confident that the county's system meets the requirements.

— From The Telegraph

## BRIEFLY

### Gospel Sing today

The Pontoon Beach Church, 4000 Illinois 11, will have a Gospel Sing on Sunday, July 20.

Sheila Pyle of Centralia will present a concert, and there will be other special music and congregational singing.

The Gospel Sing, which starts at 7 p.m., will be preceded by a pot-luck dinner at 5:30 p.m. A free-will offering will also be taken.

### Holbrook in office

On Wednesday, July 23, State Rep. Tom Holbrook will be holding open office hours from 9:30-11 a.m. at the Granite City office, located at 1310 Niedringhaus.

Anyone can stop in during these office hours. Regular appointments can be made by calling 451-0206.

Madison stickers due City stickers are now due for motor vehicles in Madison.

Police are ticketing cars and other vehicles without city stickers. Stickers are available at the Madison City Hall.

### Mammography van here

The Barnes-Jewish Hospital mammography van — associated with Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology, accredited by the American College of Radiology, and certified by the Food and Drug Administration — will be at the Schnucks store located at 3100 Madison Avenue, Granite City, from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thursday, July 24.

Mammography screening, the most effective method for early detection of breast cancer, is offered for women without symptoms ages 40 and older.

The fee of \$70 will be billed

to the patient, her insurance company, or Medicare. Because of the demand for the mammogram service, women

should schedule an appointment on the van by dialing (314) 362-WELL or toll-free at 800-392-0496.

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# BAC, MetroLink projects get funds

State releases \$10.8 million for classroom expansion at two campuses

By Kimberly Haas  
Staff writer

Funding for both the MetroLink and the Belleville Area College expansion have received a \$12.3 million boost from Gov. Jim Edgar.

On Thursday, Edgar announced the release of \$1.5 million in state transit funds to the MetroLink extension from Belleville Area College to MidAmerica

Airport, and \$10.8 million in state funding for library and classroom space expansion at Belleville Area College's main and Red Bud campuses.

Edgar said transportation and education go hand in hand, and both play an important role in the economic future of the region.

"We see the very important role the community colleges play in the state. They play a very crucial role in the

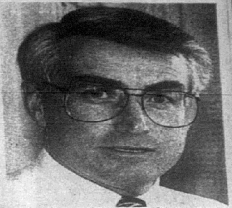
economic development of this state. All education is important, but none more so than community colleges," Edgar said. "MetroLink is also very crucial to the economic development of this part of the state. This is a very important, new infrastructure addition."

The 8.6-mile extension of the light rail system from BAC to MidAmerica Airport also calls for three new stations and four additional light rail vehi-

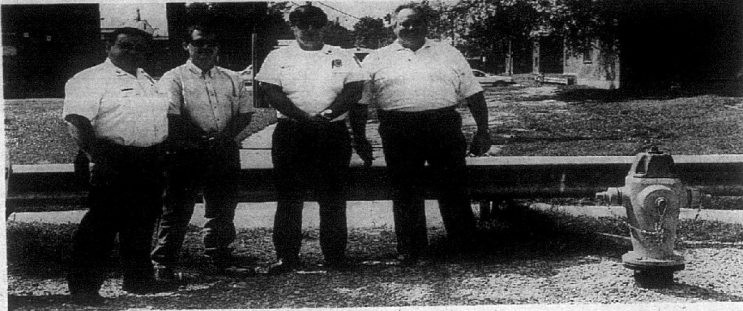
cles at a total estimated cost of \$88 million.

The \$1.5 million released by the Governor will be matched by \$1.5 million in funding from St. Clair County for the final engineering phase of the extension.

The \$10.8 million released to Belleville Area College will go toward the expansion of the library system and classroom space.



Gov. Jim Edgar



(Staff photo by JOHN FRES)

Pictured from left are: Assistant Fire Chief Jim Brawley; Ron Beard, operations supervisor for Illinois-American Water Company; Fire Chief Keith Talley; and Larry Earney, operations superintendent with the water company. To their right is the northernmost hydrant.

## Wilson upset with annexation policy

Others unconcerned with county plan

Madison County mayors said they are largely unconcerned with the county's new policy to review annexations, with one exception.

Pontoon Beach Mayor Gary Wilson said he is not pleased with the county's new policy.

"I don't see that the county has any business reviewing annexations. I would question whether they have a legal right to do that."

Pontoon Beach has grown significantly through annexations along Interstate 255 and 270 and Horseshoe Lake Road.

The County Board adopted a resolution Wednesday to ask the State's Attorney's Office to review the constitutionality of all future annexations.

Only one of 23 board members present did not vote in favor of the new policy.

Alton Mayor Don Sandidge said his office would take a "wait and see" attitude regarding the new policy. He said he also questioned the county's right to review annexations.

Granite City Mayor Ron Selph said he saw no problem with the new policy.

Kay Spence, mayor of Roxana, said her village has not annexed territory in several years and has no plans to grow. "I would hope that any review by the county would be done fairly."

Edwardsville Mayor Gary Niebur said he doubted his city would ever run afoul of the county's policy.

The policy relies on the state's attorney's power of quo warranto, which allows the office to question the compatibility of a law to state statute in a manner similar to the attorney general's powers.

"I don't see that the county has any business reviewing annexations. I would question whether they have a legal right to do that."

— Gary Wilson  
Pontoon mayor

The County Board may try to use the ordinance to enforce its wishes regarding the portioning of the planned Gateway Commerce Center light industrial development at Illinois Route 111 and Interstate 270. The development has been the subject of a voluntary annexation into Edwardsville and a petition to incorporate Mitchell.

The County Board also adopted a policy to review incorporations. That plan was aimed specifically at the Mitchell incorporation drive.

The incorporation policy says that before a proposal for incorporation can be presented to voters, it must go before the County Board.

Mitchell officials have argued that the policy should not apply to their effort because the policy was drawn up after the incorporation drive began.

The incorporation proposal was approved by a split vote of the board. Only a little more than half of the board members voted in favor of the proposal.

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## Installation of hydrants complete

The Illinois-American Water Company recently completed the installation of three fire hydrants serving the northern section of the Kirkpatrick Homes complex in Granite City.

The area had been without hydrants providing adequate protection since its construction in the 1950s because the franchise agreement the city has with Illinois American Water does not allow installation of hydrants on private property. Recent work coordinated between the Mayor's office, the Fire Department, Illinois-American and the Housing Authority allowed the mains to be run into the complex using the right-of-way for old city street easements.

Plans are being made to install more hydrants to the south next year.

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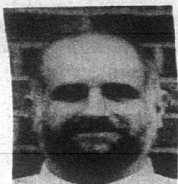
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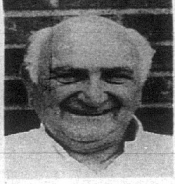
"The Armenian community has waited many years for our new church. Many parishioners have worked very hard for this special event."  
Isabelle Vartan  
Granite City  
Retired



"Our community has worked hard for so long, and our dream is coming true. It's a wonderful feeling. Finally!"  
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Retired



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Leo Manooagian, 66  
Granite City  
Retired



"It's a dream come true!"  
Mike Torosian, 62  
Granite City  
Retired

Photos by Shirley Valencia  
Interviews by Shirley Valencia  
Interviewed at the new location of St. Gregory's Armenian Church

## Testimony during inquest backs Collinsville officer's account of fatal crash

By Nicole Vaughn  
Staff writer

The testimony of several witnesses and evidence taken from the scene show that an accident in which a Fairview Heights man died last month happened the way a Collinsville police officer who was chasing the man said it did.

That was part of the testimony given Wednesday during a Madison County coroner's inquest into the death of theft suspect Thomas J. Dye, 22.

Illinois State Trooper Allen Jacobs, an accident reconstructionist, said he found "scuffs" on Lebanon Road indicating where Dye first lost control of his car in the fatal June 8 crash.

Jacobs said that Officer Bob Vecchetti told him that he thought Dye had struck a curb about a minute into the chase that began on East Church at South Morrison.

Dye was fleeing from the 4-0-II Amoco, 819 S. Morrison, where he had allegedly taken two cans of beer minutes earlier.

From East Church, Dye drove to Lebanon Road where he struck a curb.

The impact caused Dye to swerve into the oncoming westbound lane where he struck a truck.

A flattened tire sent the car out of control, off the road and into a tree, about 125 feet east of Blackjack, Jacobs said.

## First Night director named

A leader in the local small business community will lead this year's First Night Saint Louis New Year's celebration.

Al Grimes Mitchell has been named executive director of First Night Saint Louis. Mitchell will oversee production of this year's festival, emphasizing fund raising and planning.

First Night is an alcohol-free, family-oriented New Year's Eve party which began in 1991 in the Grand Center arts and entertainment district, and since has moved to downtown St. Louis.

Mitchell has been president of Impact Solutions, her own

public relations firm, for the past four years. Before starting her company, Mitchell began and managed the Minority and Women Business/Procurement for the state of Missouri, now known as the Missouri Minority Business Advocacy Commission, in Jefferson City.

Mitchell is active in the small business community, and was awarded the U.S. Small Business Administration's Missouri Minority Advocate of the Year Award in 1994.

She and her husband, Cranston, have three children. "I am truly delighted to be a part of such a great organization," Mitchell said.

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**John Frascatore**

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Years with Cardinals: 1  
Throws: right



**Mike Difelice**

Age: 28  
Uniform #: 37  
Position: Catcher  
Years Pro: 1  
Years with Cardinals: 1  
Bats: right  
Was named to All-S.E.C. team of University of Tennessee

Listed below are the winners for last month's "Find the Players" contest.

**WINNERS**

Joachim Scroggins, St. Louis, MO  
Ryan Wink, Greenwood, MO  
Sean Smith, Lemay, MO  
Kevin Baumgartner, St. Louis, MO  
Mike Albright, St. Peters, MO  
Patrick Hooper, St. Louis, MO  
Kimberly Ecker, St. Louis, MO  
Dylan McBryde, O'Fallon, MO  
Eric Mark, Cahokia, Ill.  
Shannon Young, St. Louis, MO  
Steven Green, Hickory, Glendale, MO  
Robert Finkbeiner, O'Fallon, MO  
Rebecca Brown, Arnold, MO  
Jason White, St. Louis, MO  
Thomas Dempsey, St. Louis, MO  
Rachel Silver, Chesterfield, MO  
Lucas White, Berkeley, MO  
Christen Lutz, St. Louis, MO  
Robert Morton, St. Louis, MO  
K.C. Parsons, Haverhill, Mass.

## Match the players with the fact

**1992 Cy Young Award winner and American League MVP**

**Has played in the NLCS 5 times since 1991**

**Alan Benes  
Matt Morris  
Dennis Eckersley  
Willie McGee  
Ray Lankford  
Ron Gant**

**1985 National League MVP**

**Was #1 draft pick of Cardinals in 1995**

**Was #1 draft pick of Cardinals in 1993**

**Has been with the Cardinals continuously since late in the 1990 season**



To: John Mabry  
Q. "While playing do you get nervous?"  
From: Jacob T. Newsom, St. Louis, MO

A. "No, I don't because we prepare and practice before every game. We work on every possible scenario and situation."

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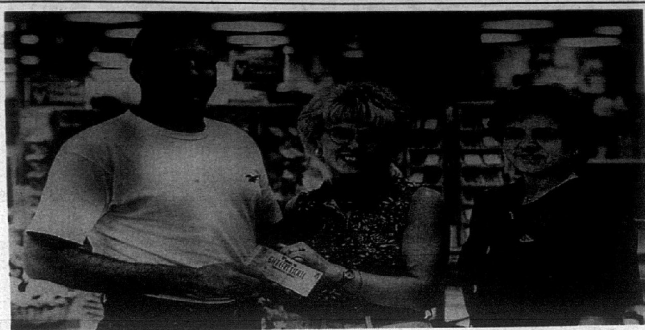
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(Staff photo by RICK GRAEFE)

**Summer spree** — Joe Foppe of Fenton and his wife, Trez, celebrate winning a \$5,000 shopping spree at Venture Stores, in the Suburban Journals Spring Fling contest. Sue Hansen, right, is store manager at the Venture at 14425 Andersohn Drive in Manchester, where the Foppes received their shopping certificates.

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## CORRECTION

Due to a reporter's error, the pager number for the Rev. John Love, who is starting a 12-Step Recovery Class with Jesus, was incorrectly printed in the Wednesday *Granite City Journal*. The correct number is 1-800-993-8530. We regret the error.

# River management prompts concerns

Corps of Engineers hears public comments

GRAFTON — More than 100 people attended a public hearing Thursday at Pere Marquette State Park Lodge as the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers sought ideas from citizens about its master plan for area rivers.

The hearing was the first step as the corps creates a new Rivers Project Master Plan for the Mississippi and lower Illinois rivers.

"We've had a very enthusiastic turnout with a lot of divergent opinions about issues along the river," said corps spokesman Jim Hill. "I've gotten a lot of written comments tonight that people have left here, and I know I'll get a lot more in the mail after tonight's workshop."

The plan will be in effect for about a decade, beginning in 1998, if it continues on schedule. Hill explained that the plan the corps is forming is essential for more than just establishing long-range objectives.

"That is our authorizing document. It's what gives us the authority to go ahead and do a lot of this work."

"It also gives us the authority to try to obtain the federal funds from the Congress," he said.

Hill said participants at the hearing expressed a wide range of concerns. Refuge management, public access to the river and the management of the flood plain were a few that Hill singled out.

"But primarily, most of the questions have centered around recreation issues," Hill said.

Among the participants at the hearing was Jim Bensman, the conservation chairman for the Sierra Club.

"The Sierra Club has a lot of concerns with the way the corps has managed the land," Bensman said. "They're building these projects that are basically designed to provide more

hunting space for the hunters instead of being designed to protect the habitat. They're spending millions of dollars destroying all kinds of habitat."

One of Bensman's chief concerns for the area is the use of public land that he said the corps has been leasing out to private concerns.

"Private, exclusive use of public lands is just unethical for," he said. "There's 76 acres of public land at Piasa Harbor that is a huge eyesore. They have signs posted: 'private,' 'keep out.'"

"They have people living there year-round. They should have their lease revoked."

"They've got a real estate division over there that just tries to find ways to get money for the corps out of these lands instead of trying to find what use for the land is best for the public interest."

"They're acting in their own fiscal interest instead of the public's interest," Bensman said.

Hill said there will be another "much more intensive" round of public hearings when the plan is complete.

"We're really just trying to gather information," he said. "We're not at the point where we've made the plan and have something for people to react to. It's all very preliminary. We're hoping to get a plan together by fall or early winter."

Another informal public hearing is planned for next week in Clarksville, Mo.

Any questions or suggestions should be mailed to Jim Hill, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, St. Louis District, 1222 Spruce St., St. Louis, MO 63101, or phone (314) 351-8626.

— From The Telegraph

## Pan Am games slated for Aug. 4-10

By Kimberly Haas  
Staff writer

Two upcoming events will give residents a chance to have a good time while visiting with baseball players from the Pan American Baseball Championships.

On Tuesday, Aug. 5, Pan Am Day will be held at Six Flags St. Louis, while on Friday, Aug. 8, Busch Stadium will host Pan Am Night.

"Anyone can buy tickets," said Jeannie O'Dell, recreation lead coordinator of the Fairview Heights Parks and Recreation Department.

Tickets for Six Flags for the event are about half of the cost of the usual \$29.95 price for adults.

Passes for the one-day event, through the Fairview Heights Recreation Department, are \$14.99 for adults and \$12.95 for children, ages four to 10. Children, ages three and under will be admitted free.

A meal ticket is \$5.50, which is good at several Six Flags restaurants. Tickets can be purchased up until Aug. 5 at the Fairview Heights Parks and Recreation Department.

For Pan Am Night at Busch Stadium, tickets must be purchased from the Parks Department by Wednesday, July 30. Tickets are \$10 each and seats are in the Terrace Reserve section.

The Pan American Baseball Championships will be held Aug. 4-10 at Longacre Park in Fairview Heights.

Thirteen- to 14-year-olds will be competing in the tournament.

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## NEWS

## OBITUARIES

## Hays, Shirley D. (Newcombe)

SHIRLEY D. (NEWCOMBE) HAYS, 61, of Greenville, formerly of Vera, died at 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, July 16, 1997, at her daughter's home following a lengthy illness. She was born Oct. 13, 1936, in East St. Louis.

Mrs. Hays retired in 1986 after 30-plus years as a beautician operator. She was of the Protestant faith.

Survivors include one daughter, Delores "Jeanne" Ferguson of Pontoon Beach; four sons, Dennis Phegley of Collinsville, Randy Hays of Ramsey, Eddy Hays of Olive and Tracy Hays of Vandalia; three sisters, Betty Moss of Granite City, Barbara Carline, Digna of Maryville and Patsy Wilson of Mascoutah; three brothers, Don Newcombe of Shawneetown, Bobby Newcombe of Troy and Tommy Newcombe of Collinsville, Tenn.; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one daughter, Sally Jean Hays; and one brother, Billie Newcombe. Services were Saturday, July 19, at Thomas Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City. Entombment was at Lake View Memorial Gardens, Fairview Heights.

Memorials are suggested to Hospice of Madison County or the American Cancer Society.

## Schott, George

GEORGE SCHOTT, 98, of St. Louis, formerly of Granite City, died Thursday, July 17, 1997.

Visitation will be from 4-8 p.m. today, Sunday, at Thomas Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road. Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday, July 21, at Thomas Mortuary. Burial will be Tuesday in Murphysboro.

## Meehan, Margaret M.

MARGARET M. MEEHAN, 34, of Belleville died Thursday, July 17, 1997, at Memorial Hospital in Belleville. She was born May 29, 1963, in Belleville.

Mrs. Meehan was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of VFW Post 805 of O'Fallon.

Survivors include one brother, Matt Meehan of Granite City; and sisters, Eileen Meehan of Godfrey, Ill., and Patricia Meehan of St. Louis.

Funeral services will be held at 10 a.m. Monday, July 21, at St. John's Roman Catholic Church, 1001 N. 1st St., St. Louis. Burial will be in St. Louis.

Memorials are suggested to the St. Louis Archdiocese or the St. Louis Chapter of the Knights of Columbus.

## Linda Meehan of Three Rivers, Mich., Agnes Hodge of Twenty-nine Palms, Calif., and Gladys of Katy, Texas, Katherine Meehan of Belleville and Marlene Switzer of Highland.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Earl N. and Ada J. (Springett) Meehan.

Visitation will be from 5-8 p.m. today, Sunday, at John Barnes Funeral Home, 8501 West Main, Belleville. The funeral procession will leave from Barnes Funeral Home at 9:30 a.m. Monday, July 21, for a service at Mt. Carmel Peace Chapel with the Rev. James Voelker officiating. Burial will be in Mt. Carmel Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to the charity of the donor's choice and will be accepted at the funeral home.

## WALKER, CLYDE E. Sr.

CYDNEY E. WALKER SR., 67, of Madison died at 4:55 p.m. Thursday, July 17, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City.

Born July 30, 1929, in East St. Louis, Mr. Walker resided there until moving to Madison 52 years ago at the age of 81. He was a member of the City Temple, Assembly of God Church and Laborers International Union of North America.

Survivors include his wife, Marilyn Eudean (Murphy) Walker, whom he married May 28, 1949, in Granite City; three sons, Clyde Jr., and Rod S. Walker both of Granite City and Charles Walker of San Diego; four daughters, Earlene E. Lee of Mitchell, Marilyn D. Mitchener of Granite City, Betty A. Smith of Gerald, Mo., and Donna M. Walker of Collinsville; one brother, Charles Harold Walker of San Diego; one sister, Bernice Case of South Carolina; 16 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Virgil Sylvester Walker and Essie Lou Walker; his wife, his stepfather, Roper Harris; and one granddaughter.

Visitation will be from 4-9 p.m. today, Sunday, at Thomas Mortuary, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City. Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday, July 21, at City Temple, 1001 N. 1st St., St. Louis, with the Revs. Eugene Coppe and Mike Hopkins officiating. There will be a memorial service at 11 a.m. Monday at St. John's Namekoi Road Cemetery, Granite City.

Memorials are suggested to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

## American Cancer Society, Imboden, Mildred

MILDRED IMBODEN, 88, of Alhambra died at 4:30 p.m. Thursday, July 17, 1997, at St. Anthony's Hospital in Alton. She was born Sept. 4, 1908, in Clarksville, Mo.

Mrs. Imboden was an active member of the First Baptist Church of Livingston.

Survivors include nine daughters, Mildred Bartels of Edwardsville, Irma Bullock of Bridgton, Mo., Marjorie Carlinger of Piedmont, Mo., Jeanette of Highland, Mo., Janice of Lancaster, Calif., Lois Ambush, Shirley Colman and Peggy Bruggemann all of Alhambra, and Claire Webb of Sarasota, Fla.; three sons, Glen Imboden of City, Calif., and Robert and Philip Imboden both of Glen Carbon; one sister, Alice Hoffman of Granite City; 28 grandchildren and 37 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Arthur and Laura (Pedi) Clark; her husband, Robert Imboden; two brothers, two sisters, one son, one grandson and one granddaughter.

Visitation will be from 3-8 p.m. today, Sunday, at Daudeman Mortuary, 609 E. Main, Alhambra. Services are scheduled for 10 a.m. Monday, July 21, at Livingston Baptist Church, 413 S. 2nd St., with the Rev. Jeff McDonald officiating. Burial will be in Harris Cemetery, Alhambra.

Memorials are suggested to Livingston Baptist Church or H.I.S. K.I.O.S. of Highland.

## Democrats tap Reitz

By Joe Leicht Staff writer

Randolph County lost a congressman but gained a home-state state legislator last Wednesday when the leaders of the 116th Illinois Democratic Party selected Dan Reitz to fill the Illinois Assembly seat vacated by the late Terry Deering.

By a unanimous vote, the Democratic chairman of Randolph County, St. Clair and Washington Counties picked the 43-year-old veteran of Randolph County politics to complete the final 18 months of Deering's term.

Deering had served the district since November 1990 through June 26, 1997 when he was killed in a one-car crash in Washington County.

Reitz, who was once a coal miner like Deering, got the nod over four other candidates.

Reitz is a member of the Illinois University-Carbondale professor Barb Brown of Chester, Belleville Area College trustee and former St. Clair County deputy sheriff Ken Joseph of Freeburg, St. Clair County precinct committeeman and Public Building Commission member Dan McGuire of Smithton and Deering's brother, Gerald Deering of DuBois.

No Monroe County residents expressed interest in the position either at a July 9 preliminary meeting in Red Bud or at the replacement session held July 16.

## Crime

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The juvenile was being held at a detention center, and Harper was in the Madison County Jail, where he was being held on \$25,000 bond.

A hate crime is a felony in Illinois. Sgt. Donald Bunt of the Madison County Sheriff's Department said the range of penalties varies. A three-year prison sentence is the maximum penalty.

Since Larry Wessels served as a pilot in the Air Force from 1970 to 1992, his original intentions were to fly the plane.

Wessels said he has flown all kinds of planes with his last Air Force assignment, flying a C-130 into Vietnam.

"I had the dubious honor of flying the last C-130 aircraft into Saigon before it was destroyed by enemy action," Wessels said.

Although he is unlikely Wessels will ever fly the BD-5, he plans to put it to good use as a teacher. He has been teaching since 1995.

"It wasn't doing me any good in storage. I knew I could do a lot of good with it here," Wessels said.

He plans to use the plane during a two-week aviation and dynamics course Wessels said the students will work on the airplane and experiment with the control panel.

"The mathematics will mean more to the students," Wessels said.

Wessels said the BD-5 is priceless, not only because it can no longer be purchased, but also because his father built it.

## Expo moves to July

Event features exhibits, talks, entertainment

The Missouri Black Expo '97 is scheduled to return to America's Center with more than 600 booth exhibits and demonstrations, and an all-new line up of entertainment.

This year's MBE is presented by Pepsi Cola. The event is slated for July 26-27, almost a month earlier than previous years, at America's Center in Downtown St. Louis.

"We felt that moving this event... gives college students who would normally be returning to school an opportunity to experience the Missouri Black Expo, thus making it an entire family affair," said Tom Bailey, MBE president and founder.

"Also, there customarily are many family reunions going on at that time, so we anticipate many families coming to St. Louis who will come down and take advantage of the Missouri Black Expo," he said.

This year's exhibition will be held from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. July 26 and from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. July 27. On July 25, the MBE will have U.S.A. Amateur Boxing featuring teams from around the country.

"Education" is this year's theme. In keeping with the theme, the University of Missouri-Columbia will sponsor its first-ever MU Lecture Series as part of the expo's Community Forum. The forum includes self-

improvement workshops and seminars conducted by area professionals.

"For the lecture series, we have lined up key speakers who are motivating, slightly controversial, yet thought provoking," said Kevin Wilson, chairman of the MU Black Alumni Organization. "We want people to leave the expo energized to face the daily issues that face the African-American community."

Also returning to MBE will be the Global Business Summit featuring the Mayor's Businessperson's Luncheon. The Miller Main Stage and the Western Union/American Family/Best Talent Center-Children's and Gospel Stage will feature an assortment of nationally-renowned recording artists, fashion shows, storytellers and more.

Bailey said he is extremely excited about the prospect of attracting more than 70,000 people to the weekend event.

"There are many expos being staged around the country all the time but the Missouri Black Expo is an exciting African-American consumer exhibition with the mission of fostering economic development in the black community," he said.

Booth rental space can be obtained by calling 361-5722. General admission tickets to the Expo are \$6.

## Lecturers to speak on education, communities

(The) Community Forum is the part of the event that exposes attendees to the vast amount of resources available in our area.

— Tom Bailey Expo founder

As part of the Missouri Black Expo '97 Community Forum, the University of Missouri at Columbia will sponsor its first "MU Lecture Series" with a line-up of renowned national speakers.

"The Missouri Black Expo is the part of the event that exposes attendees to the vast amount of resources available in our area," said Tom Bailey, MBE's president and founder.

"This year a special emphasis will be placed on the discussion of education as it relates to our children and the on-going development of our communities. We're going to have a panel discussion on education, and discuss what impact these charter schools will have on the future of our public school system," he said.

The Expo and "MU Lecture Series" are scheduled for July 26-27 at the Americas Center in Downtown St. Louis. This year's MBE, presented by Pepsi Cola, carries the theme "Emphasis on Education."

Some guest lecturers scheduled to speak over the two days are:

• East St. Louis native Harry Edwards, sociology professor at the University of California-Berkeley, who will focus on the black athlete and college athletics.

• Na'im Akbar, professor of psychology and black studies at Florida State University, who is a pioneer in the development of an African-centered approach to modern psychology.

• Eric Abernethy, professor, founder of The Black Man Think Tank and director of the African-American Cultural and Research Center at the University of Cincinnati. He will speak on education and the black male.

• Julianne Malveaux, an economist, community activist and syndicated columnist who has appeared on many nationally televised panel discussions. Her column appears nationally in some 20 newspapers.

• Patricia Russell-McCloud, national president of The Links, a 9,800-member volunteer service organization of African-American women located in St. Louis. She is one of the nation's top motivational speakers.

For more information on the lecture series, call 622-3400.

## Penalties

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Penny. When this occurs, violence many times is the result. "What frequently happens is that the detention usually occurs on the parking lot of the store or shopping center and the people attempt to flee or run," Penny said. "Or they will either have a wheel man or will run to a vehicle and get behind the wheel themselves. We have a number of battery incidents that occur with the store's security personnel when this is the case."

"What happens is the suspect frequently escapes and the merchandise is destroyed or removed from the scene and it interferes with the prosecution of the case. This (new law) should force some of the suspects think twice before they commit the felony offense."

Penny said what will happen now is that a suspect will commit a felony crime by hitting a merchant on a shoplifting charge which is usually just a misdemeanor.

Fairview Heights Police Chief Roger Richards said he has not seen many cases in the city where a merchant is actually attacked by the shoplifter, but the new law is needed for the law.

"There have been cases where there is a need for this law," Richards said.

Fairview Heights Police Capt. Mike King agrees with Richards. "The (merchants) put themselves in harm's way to stop a shoplifter. We've had a few occasions where it's happened — maybe one or two times a year, with the number of stores we have," King said.

"We've had shoplifters push security guards, and in a couple of cases we've had them almost hit by cars," he said.

Penny said that the new law also affects the public. "You have to remember that every dollar that is stolen by a professional shoplifter is a dollar that is reimbursed by the other shoppers in that store," Penny said.

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## Podnar is Bradley grad

Nicole Podnar of Granite City received a bachelor of science degree from Bradley University on Monday during commencement ceremonies May 17.

Podnar is a native of Granite City and graduated from Granite City High School in 1993. She is currently a graduate student at Bradley University.

Podnar is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society and the Phi Chi Theta Honor Society. She is also a member of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Podnar plans to continue her education at Bradley University for her master's degree in education.

Podnar is currently employed as a teacher at Granite City Public Schools.

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## NEWS

# Ostrich awareness

## Bird is becoming popular with farmers

By Martin Richter  
Staff writer

In case you didn't already know, Gov. Jim Edgar proclaimed last week Ostrich Awareness Week in Illinois.

This is not a joke. According to a press release from the Illinois Chapter of the American Ostrich Association, the purpose of the week, July 13 to 19, is "to educate and inform the public about the commercial benefits of the ostrich as livestock in our state."

While there isn't exactly an ostrich ranch on every corner, more people are raising — and eating — the 250-pound birds. The Illinois Chapter of the American Ostrich Association includes more than 200 farmers with more than 10,000 head (or should you say beak?) of

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— Wesley Lloyd

ostriches. Nationally, the AOA includes about 3,000 members and an estimated 50,000 birds.

Wesley Lloyd of Waterloo is a relative newcomer to ostrich ranching. A truck driver, he got into the ostrich business as a sideline about three years ago after talking to a man who used to raise them.

"I've got three female breeders and two male breeders, and I've got some

young ones," Lloyd said. "Mine just started laying this year, so I'm still kind of green at it."

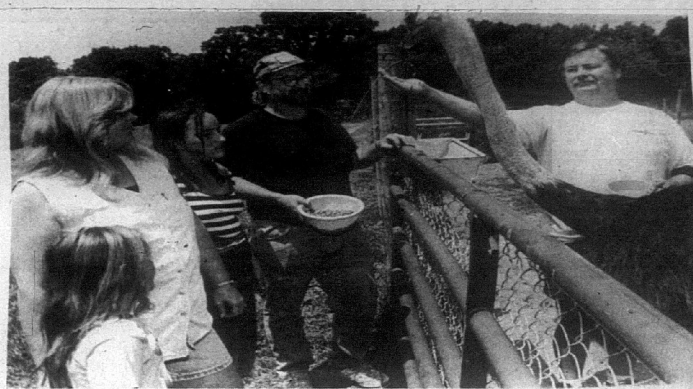
Lloyd gets help raising the ostriches from his wife, Tracy, and their kids Ryan, Sean and Audrey. The family keeps the birds on about 6½ acres.

"I'm kind of looking at this as something for us in the future, as an out maybe later in life, or maybe something for the wife and kids," Lloyd said.

According to the ICAOA, ostriches are very feed efficient, making maximum use of low quality feedstuffs and growing to market weight of 225 to 250 pounds in just 12 months.

Lloyd thinks Ostrich Awareness Week is a good idea. Anything that spreads the word about the bird's healthy meat — a red meat that is lower in fat, cholesterol and calories than beef, pork or chicken — is good for the growing industry, he said.

One local business that is helping to spread the word about ostrich meat is Brookie's Tavern, six miles south of Waterloo. At Brookie's you can get an ostrich burger for \$2.25, a



From left: Audrey Lloyd, Tracy Lloyd, Nicole Heimos, Nick Heimos and Wesley Lloyd look at a three-year-old ostrich. Gov. Jim Edgar has proclaimed July 13-19 as Ostrich Awareness Week in Illinois.

more 45 cents more than than beef burgers they sell for \$1.80. Owner Patti Whelan said the tavern buys ostrich meat for about \$5.18 a pound, and sells enough of the burgers to keep them on the menu.

"They go in spurts," Whelan said of the ostrich burgers. "A lot of women eat them, because they have less fat than beef or turkey. Everybody wants to try one," she said. "Some keep

eating them and some don't. My sister, she's a complete ostrich burger freak. She eats them all the time."

For those who'd like to try preparing ostrich for themselves, you can buy the meat at Schubert's Packing Co. in Millstadt, which butchers and sells the birds. "We've got steaks, and I think we've got ostrich brats, and we've got hamburgers — hamburger patties," Schubert's employee Dale Daab said.

"We've got a little bit of everything." Daab said the shop has been selling ostrich for a little over a year, and purchases them from a farmer in Lively Grove, Ill., which is between St. Libory and Coulterville.

Lloyd said he thinks people who try ostrich might like it: "Maybe we can start getting people to start eating some healthy meat for a change," he said.

## Ostrich meat lower in fat, cholesterol than other meat

According to information supplied by the Illinois Chapter of the American Ostrich Association, ostrich meat is lower in fat, cholesterol and calories than chicken but has the flavor and texture of red meat.

The birds also are valued for their hides, which the association said can be made into supple and durable leather.

"Basically, ostrich is a red meat that beats out beef, pork and chicken in cholesterol, calories and fat," said Sharlyn Kernell of the Elde Ratite Family Ranch in Bonfield, Ill., near Kankakee.

"When we get to turkey, we're competitive," she said. "The difference is, this is red meat. You can get steaks and roasts."

The ICAOA provided the following information comparing ostrich to other meats. The data on ostrich meat comes from Texas A&M System meat studies, and that on the other meats is from the USDA and Hill Nutrition Associates.

✓ Ostrich — 26.9 percent protein, 3.0 grams of fat, 142 calories, 81 mg of cholesterol.  
✓ Beef — 28.1 percent protein, 10.5 grams of fat, 209 calories, 83 mg of cholesterol.  
✓ Pork — 29.3 percent protein, 15.2 grams of fat, 256 calories, 94 mg of cholesterol.

✓ Chicken — 28.9 percent protein, 7.4 grams of fat, 190 calories, 89 mg of cholesterol.  
✓ Turkey — 29.3 percent protein, 5.0 grams of fat, 176 calories, 76 mg of cholesterol.  
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## NEWS



**Car wash** — The St. John Lutheran Church Youth Group held a car wash last Saturday in conjunction with the church's Country Breakfast. They washed more than 100 cars and raised over \$200 for the group. Above left, Nick Sigite, 6, washes the passenger side of a truck while Adam Kopchak, 5, cleans the bed. Above right, James Gauen, 11, watches as Nick Sigite, 6, scrubs the hood of a truck. Below, Brandi McBride, 11, blinks water out of her eyes while Ryan Sigite, also 11, squirts her during the water melee after the car wash.



(Staff photos by JOHN FRES)

## Leukemia Society drive planned

Members of Local 881 of the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union (UFCW) will hold their annual collection drive for the Leukemia Society of America from July 20 until Aug. 2.

This year, Local 881 has expanded its leukemia collection drive from a one-day fund-raiser to a two-week drive and has invited all of the retail work locations the union represents to participate.

In Southern Illinois, the collection drive will be held at participating Schnuck's, Shop 'N' Save, Super Value, Mad Pricer, Schutte, Eagle, Altadonna's, IGA, Hart Food and Drug, National Market, Priced Right Foods and Capri.

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When I approached Belleville American Legion manager George Vineyard at O'Fallon between junior and senior Legion games on a Friday night, my intent was to query the fifth-year Hilgards manager on his view of another summer of baseball.

My concern was with everything from helmet and bat throwing to profanity to a lack of discipline shown by some of the players and even coaches in District 22. Within minutes, though, Vineyard became the subject of my attention.

"This is it," Vineyard said of his resignation at the end of this season. "I've decided he had given me some thought before telling me."

His reasons? I had thought for sure the events of a Post 58 appearance in a 32-team tournament in Kenosha, Wis., would be the answer.

After winning twice and losing once there on June 26-27, Vineyard brought the Belleville team home after three players were arrested for underage drinking.

"I pulled us out of the tournament," explained Vineyard, who turned 49 on July 14. "We had a team meeting prior to the tournament and told the players to stay out of trouble. My coach and the parents who were there were most supportive of my decision."

As you might suspect, the Belleville players were but a few including those from other teams involved in the incident that featured a scramble of running from trouble when the police arrived prior to midnight on Friday, June 27.

"It was 10:30 when I got the knock on the door," Vineyard said.

Meanwhile, the coach of two state tourney teams in 1993 and '95 pointed to a "time factor" as his main reason for resigning.

"There are too many things other than baseball during a summer," Vineyard said.

"There's a lack of commitment and you have to consider everything from summer baseball to seven-on-seven football camps to vacations."

Employed as a mechanic in St. Louis for Bi-State, Vineyard was in the midst of a six-game, three-day schedule, including a tripleheader on a hot Saturday when he also told me of the worn refrain related to the city of Belleville not having a decent baseball facility.

"We don't have a home field," Vineyard said. "We play at Belleville Area College and at Belleville West, and we have to beg for what we get."

A 1996 Belleville Township High graduate, Vineyard played Junior Legion ball in 1964 on a team that included current Fairview Heights manager Dennis Schutzenhofer.

"I've enjoyed the competition," Vineyard said. "We've had some great battles with Fairview and O'Fallon."

That's when his voice broke momentarily as he added, "It does not feel the same playing O'Fallon — without — Danny (deceased O'Fallon coach Danny Blazer) being here."

What does feel good is a streak of nine wins in 11 games. The Hilgards even revived display of their lucky rooster as they try to reach success in a way similar to the '93 team.

(See ART, Page 3B)

## Turnaround lifts Triplets into playoffs

Tri-City (19-13) set to host  
Fifth Division TournamentBy Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

There is good news and bad news as Tri-City Post 113 prepares for the District 22 playoffs and the Fifth Division Tournament July 30-Aug. 2.

The good news first: Tri-City tuned up for postseason action this weekend with a strong third-place finish in the Evansville (Ind.) Invitational last week.

"We lost a game we should have won in the first round," said Triplets manager Ralph Burnett Jr. "But, all in all, we played very well all tournament long."

Tri-City had a 5-2 lead in the sixth inning against host Evansville in the first game, but gave up a grand slam to Don Mattingly's nephew and lost 6-5.

The Triplets bounced back with an impressive 6-1 win over Shelbyville, Ky., the Bluegrass State's defending Legion champion. But eventual tournament champion Terre Haute was too much in the semifinals, as they fell 7-2.

The third place contest was a rematch between Tri-City and Evansville. This time the

Triplets were victorious. Behind the stellar pitching of Justin Bettorf, the Triplets claimed an exciting 2-1 win.

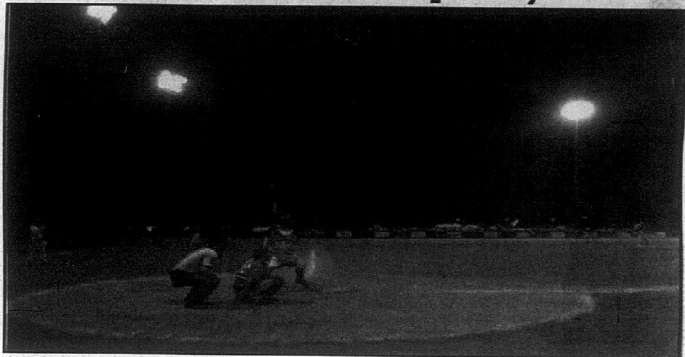
On Tuesday, Tri-City closed out regular season action with a pair of well-played games.

The Triplets traveled to Edwardsville for a 5 p.m. game and trailed 4-4 with two outs in the seventh inning. A Kyle Briggs single, followed by a Ryan Relleke round-tripper, knotted the score and sent the contest into extra innings. Edwardsville eventually won 7-6 on a bases-loaded walk in the bottom of the 12th inning.

Tri-City then hurried home to host Belleville in the regular season finale.

After a quick 10-minute warm-up, the Triplets took the field, only to fall behind 4-1 early.

"When we fell behind by three runs, after being up 1-0, I called the players aside and had a quick talk with them," Burnett said. "I told them we had to make a decision. This game was a test of our resolve. We either had to suck it up and start playing up to our ability or we simply had to quit and head into the playoffs that way."



(Staff photo by JOHN FRES)

Ryan Relleke awaits the pitch under the lights in a recent home game. The Granite City diamond will play host to the 1997 American Legion Fifth Division Tournament.

The Triplets sucked it up.

They fought back steadily and, ultimately, won 5-4.

But the bad news for Tri-City came in the sixth inning when Briggs attempted to stretch a long single into a double. He slid hard and head

first into the bag at second, completely dislocating his shoulder. He was removed on a stretcher and taken to St. Elizabeth Medical Center.

"Kyle Briggs is the best player on our team, the best player in the district," Burnett

said. "His loss is a tough one to take, especially heading into the playoffs. But our injuries this season — and we've had quite a few — have developed a toughness in us as a team."

"A lot of these players (See TRIPLETS, Page 3B)

Ahlvers commits  
to Lewis & ClarkBy Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

Granite City lefthander Mike Ahlvers finished his senior season with a deceptive 5-5 record.

Deceptive because the ace of the Warriors' staff drew all the tough teams and had very few earned runs scored against him.

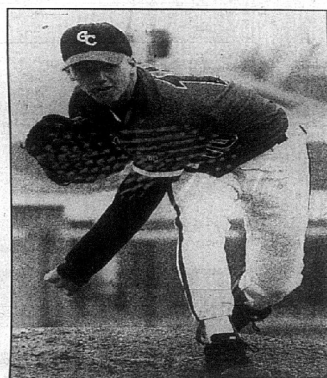
## BASEBALL

That truth did not go unnoticed by Lewis & Clark Community College baseball coach Randy Martz, who last week signed Ahlvers to play baseball with the Trailblazers.

"Mike Ahlvers is very smart and knows how to pitch," Martz said. "He has three quality pitches and can throw strikes with each of them. In spite of the fact that we have an experienced squad coming back for next season, Mike should see a lot of action and should make a significant contribution to our overall success."

Though finishing below .500 this year, mostly because of a terrible 0-10 start, the Trailblazers regrouped and turned their season around. They finished strong and missed the College World Series by only one game.

(See AHLVERS, Page 3B)



Mike Ahlvers led the Warriors with a 2.60 ERA this year.

Trailblazers sign  
Warriors' sluggerBy Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

Ryan Relleke, a 1997 GCHS graduate, has signed a letter of intent to play baseball at Lewis & Clark Community College.

Relleke is coming off a senior season that saw him post impressive offensive numbers.

The first baseman batted .299 with six doubles, two home runs and 14 RBIs.

He also had an on-base percentage of .383 and a slugging percentage of .436.

It was Relleke's ability to hit the ball, and hit it with authority, that first caught the atten-

## BASEBALL

tion of LCCC men's baseball coach Randy Martz.

"Ryan Relleke has good pop in his bat," Martz said. "He is definitely a hitter and can break open games with his bat. He is also a quality first baseman, and we need someone to take over that position. I imagine that we will play him at first and as a designated hitter. With his bat, we want to keep him in the lineup as much as possible."

GCHS baseball coach Gus Lignoul agrees with Martz' assessment.

"Ryan definitely has some power," Lignoul said. "He is capable of hitting consistently for extra base hits. He is a very versatile player with a good attitude. He is a team (See RELLEKE, Page 3B)

Bats power St. Clair  
past Monroe all-starsBy Karen Vartanian  
Staff writer

Late-arriving spectators at Wednesday night's Mon-Clair All-Star game in Fairview Heights may have wondered if the Longfellow Park scoreboard was malfunctioning.

For three innings, Monroe and St. Clair hurlers shacked the heavy-hitting opposition, leaving the scoreboard displaying a very unusual 0-0 deadlock.

More characteristically, however, the teams combined for 19 rallies and 25 hits after the third, as the St. Clair all-stars utilized a six-run eighth inning to post a 12-7 verdict.

"They say the Mon-Clair league is a hitter's league," said St. Clair and East Alton manager Jim Blackledge. "I guess that proves it for this

year. There were a lot of hits in that game for sure."

St. Clair's win paired the Monroe Division's all-star game lead to 20-10.

"It was an excellent game up until the last inning," said Monroe and Waterloo Buds manager Vern Moehrs, whose all-star game managerial record dropped to 17-5. "We ran out of pitching. The pitching was there."

Indeed, St. Clair abused seven Mon-

roe hurlers for 24 hits, including four each by co-MVPs Mark Briggs (two RBIs) and Tony Duenas (four RBIs) of East Alton.

Granite City's Jason Wood (two RBIs) also had four hits, while Mike Robertson of East Alton had three.

"We've got some good hitters. There's no question about that," Blackledge said. "These guys can hit. They can swing that aluminum bat."

Despite St. Clair's offensive attack, Monroe still carried a 7-6 lead into the bottom of the eighth. But East Alton's Mike Robertson tripled leading off against Chris Kohnz of Valmeyer.

Moehrs then summoned Valmeyer's Dave Lucht from the bullpen.

Lucht was greeted with a (See STARS, Page 3B)



(Photo by PAUL BAILLARGEON)

Granite City's Jason Wood tries to beat the throw during Wednesday's Mon-Clair All-Star game in Fairview Heights.

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## SPORTS SHORTS

## Baseball tourney

The Granite City Baseball Tournament, hosted by the Granite City Park District and from 7 a.m. Saturday, Aug. 2 through Sunday, Aug. 3. In the event of rain, the tournament will be moved to the following weekend.

Teams will compete in pools instead of traditional brackets. With four teams per pool, each team is guaranteed three games. The top two teams from each pool will advance to the semifinal elimination round. The top two teams in each pool will also receive a free entry fee, and trophies will be awarded for first, second and third place.

Competition will be for Bantam (born Sept. 1, 1985 through Aug. 31, 1987) and Midget (born Jan. 1, 1984 through Aug. 31, 1985) age groups. Fees, which must be received by July 30, are \$150 per team. There will be eight teams per division.

For more information, call the park office (877-3059) and leave a message for Jayson York or Ray Hoffman.

## Graham wins gold

Steven Graham won a gold medal in table tennis at the 14th annual Prairie State Games. Graham was the defending champion and participated in the scholastic division.

Graham, the son of Larry and Wanda Graham, will be a senior at GCHS.

## Baker soccer camp

Gene Baker's soccer camp, in its 24th season, will be held July 21-25 at the Belleville Area College complex in Granite City. The camp will run 9 a.m. noon daily and is for ages 8-18. Game fundamentals, disciplines and habits will be taught. The cost is \$75. To register, or for more information, call (314) 355-2274 or write to 1761 Vista Ridge, St. Louis, Mo., 63138.

## GCHS football

Weight training for anyone playing football at Granite City High School is held 7:30-9 a.m. every Monday, Wednesday

and Thursday, in the high school weight room. Agility drills are also part of the program.

Training is for all incoming freshmen through seniors and will continue until the first day of football practice Aug. 13.

## Craven in Gateway 300

NASCAR driver Ricky Craven and his Budweiser Chevrolet will make an appearance at the Anheuser-Busch brewery July 22. Craven, who will race in the Gateway 300 NASCAR Busch Series event on July 26 at Gateway International Raceway, will sign autographs from 2-4 p.m. Complimentary passes for the July 24 practice and qualifying sessions will be available in the brewery tour center while supplies last.

For more information, call (314) 577-2626.

## LCCC basketball league

The Lewis & Clark Community College fall youth basketball league will begin play Sept. 8-9. The league will feature a division for boys in 7th and 8th grade and a division for boys in 9th and 10th grade. The cost to enter is \$300 and

will help fund athletic scholarships. To register a team, call 466-3411, ext. 6200.

## Youth golf

Grand Marais Golf Course in East St. Louis is hosting a free youth golf program for 60 boys and girls from the Metro East this summer.

The five-week program, held in conjunction with the Whitey Herzog Youth Foundation and the Illinois Conservation Foundation, offers golf instruction, golf course management and education counseling. All equipment will be loaned to students during the program. Students who successfully complete the program will have access to the driving range and course.

Participants will attend clinics twice each week from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. and will be able to explore several different areas of the golf industry, learn the responsibilities of employment and receive educational job training for the future.

The program is being funded with private donations and proceeds from a golf tournament held at Grand Marais on June 26. Donations are still being taken. For more information, call Barbara Taylor at 398-9999.

## Stars

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gargantuan circuit shot to dead center by Steve Davis of East Alton, giving St. Clair the lead for good at 8-7. Following a single by Duenas, Moehrs yanked Licht in favor of Sauge's Corey Blackwell, who promptly yielded a hit to Brighton's Jay Graves.

Duenas motored to third on Graves' single, thanks to a miscue in right field, putting runners on the corners with none out.

After Graves was gunned down trying to steal second, Fairview Heights' Scott Shain singled past a drawn-in infield, scoring Duenas and staking St. Clair to a 9-7 lead.

After Jesse Bugger of East Alton singled, Briggs tripled in Shain and Bugger, swelling St. Clair's advantage to 11-7. Wood climaxed the uprising with a sacrifice fly.

When the dust settled, St. Clair had sent 11 batters to the plate, cranked out seven hits and scored six runs.

"With the offense we can put out there, we have a chance at any time," Blackledge said. "There were a lot of people out there that had good nights."

After St. Clair stranded five runners and hit into a double play the first three frames, Monroe jumped ahead with two fourth-inning runs on RB singles by Waterloo's Jeff Kaiser and Valmeyer's Tim Dege-

ne. St. Clair answered with one in the fourth before taking a 3-2 lead one inning later on Duenas' two-out, two-run single. Millstadt's Scott Doehring swatted a two-run round-tripper in the sixth, vaulting Monroe back in front 4-3.

A three-run sixth — capped by another two-run safety from Duenas — propelled St. Clair to a 6-4 lead. Monroe took its final lead in the seventh, as Valmeyer's Jeremiah Bergher slapped a two-run double and scored on a St. Clair mis-

cue. Tracy Kennett of East Alton earned the win, pitching a scoreless eighth. Lucht took the loss.

Sauge's Travis Dawson paced Monroe offensively with four hits and two stolen bases. Neil Fitch and Jim Anderson of Waterloo chipped in two safeties apiece.

## Relleke

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player. He basically played first base and outfield for us, and should be able to move right into the same positions in college."

Relleke was invited to a major league tryout held by the Texas Rangers at Lewis & Clark. That gave Martz the chance to see Relleke in action at a level significantly higher than that of high school ball.

Coach Martz wanted me to attend the tryout so he could get a better look at me," Relleke said. "And I was glad for the chance. Lewis & Clark has a good baseball program. It's a nice school with a nice campus, and I am looking forward to going to school there and to playing baseball."

The Trailblazers play a fall season consisting of practice games against other colleges in preparation for the spring season. The Trailblazers play a 32-game schedule in the spring.

Relleke is looking forward to playing for Martz, but is undecided as to a major field of study at Lewis & Clark.

"I want to take a little while before I decide what I'm going to major in," he said. "I want to get used to the college routine and really decide what I want to do with my life. So, right now, I'll play baseball and focus on what I want to do."

## Triplets

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played for Granite City High School and had to play without Kyle most of this year. They know it can be done. We've had to play with key players injured all season long. We've done it before, and we'll do it. Kyle Briggs is not the only player on this team."

Tri-City took a 19-13 record into the District 22 single elimination playoffs, having finished second to Collinsville during the regular season.

The Triplets met the winner of the Highland-Troy game at 11 a.m. Saturday. Win or lose, they will play as the host team in the Fifth Division Tournament, where they meet the District 25 champion at 11 a.m. Wednesday, July 30.

"I've had teams with more talent," Burnett said. "But I don't think I've ever been closer or felt better about a team than I do this one. They really want I like in a baseball team. They play hard. I'm confident going into the playoffs."

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## Ahlfers

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"Lewis & Clark has a good baseball program and I want to be a part of it," Ahlfers said. "They sold me on their program, gave me an excellent offer, and I'm ready to start pitching for them."

Jim Greenwald, a scout for the Texas Rangers, wrote Ahlfers inviting him to a Rangers tryout at Lewis & Clark on June 18. That gave Martz a closer look, and he liked what he saw in the young southpaw.

Ahlfers threw 62 innings for the Warriors this spring. He allowed only 49 hits, walked just 21 batters and had 62 strikeouts. Ahlfers also had a team-best 2.60 earned run average.

His three-year varsity ERA was a miserly 2.49, made even more impressive by the fact that Ahlfers regularly pitched against the top teams in the

area.

"Mike Ahlfers always threw strikes and never did anything to hurt himself," said GCHS baseball coach Gus Lignoul. "He was very consistent throughout his high school career. He was not as overpowering as other pitchers we had, but he had great off speed pitches and was able to consistently spot his fastball. This made him very effective."

School will start later this month for Ahlfers, who plans to major in art. Fall baseball practice begins September 1, with spring practice sometime in January.

"I'm excited," Ahlfers said. "I had looked at Kaskaskia College and other schools, but it was pretty easy to decide that I wanted to be at Lewis & Clark. I'll get a good education and will get to pitch. That's exactly what I want."

## Art

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team that was 36-10 and finished fifth in the state.

"Before we went to Wisconsin, I told our players they already are somebody," Vineyard said. "They don't have to drink to be somebody."

On the field where he has coached recent BTHS West grad Noah Vineyard and previously another son, Nathan, as wife Kristine looked on, George Vineyard remains positive. In a win over Nashville, he encouraged a batter to "be selective" just moments before a two-run single.

"He's been a good coach," said Post 58 baseball chairman Don Wallis.

(Art Voellinger is the baseball and soccer coach at O'Fallon High School. He writes a twice-weekly column for the Journal.)

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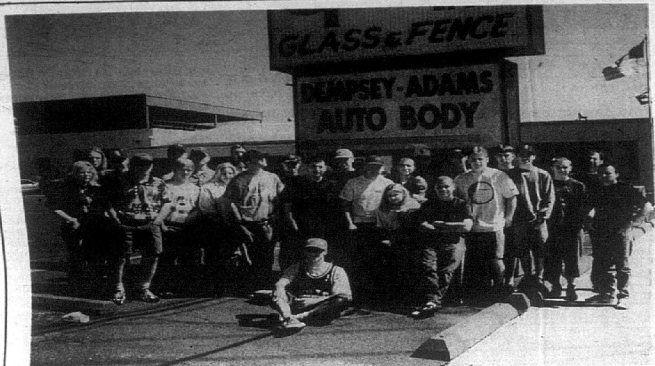


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## BUSINESS



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**Opening** — The Tri-Cities Area Chamber of Commerce and the new owners of Buzz's Restaurant on Madison Avenue in Madison celebrated the establishment's opening under new management. From left are: Chamber Executive Vice President R.C. Bush, owner Debbie Waggoner, Madison Mayor John Hamm, owner Halthal Moore, waitress Betty Smart and chamber members Janet Mills and Harvey Cohen.

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8. Evaluate equipment needs.
9. Communicate the importance of recycling to the employees.
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11. Publicize your success.
12. Close the recycling loop: Help build demand for recyclable materials by buying products made from recycled paper.

## BUSINESS PROFILE



### Eric Wortham Pizza World Gourmet Pizza

He is founder of Pizza World International. The Pizza World at 1535 Johnson Road, Granite City, is the oldest store. The business was formed with Thomas N. Burnham, former executive vice president of Domino's Pizza. The concept has grown to 15 units operating in Florida, Illinois and Missouri, with several more stores under development in the United States and abroad. It serves the world's favorite pizzas.

#### family

Wortham, 31, lives in Collinsville and is a former Granite City resident. His wife's name is Michelle. He has three children — Ryan, 6; Rachele, 4; and Rene, 2.

#### professional background

Wortham studied business with an emphasis on marketing management in college. He graduated from Granite City High School in 1984.

#### civic involvement

He sponsors a lot of youth baseball teams, soccer teams, a total of seven youth sports teams.

#### comments

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### Old businesses being sought

The Illinois State Historical Society is searching for businesses and associations that have operated in the state for 100 years or more.

Eligible companies will have the opportunity of being honored at the 1997 Centennial Business Celebration Dinner at the Palmer House, Hilton Hotel in Chicago on October 3. Since 1984, the ISHS has recognized more than 850 entities.

Those who own businesses that are 100 years old or older, or know of an enterprise eligible to become an Illinois Centennial Business, should contact the Illinois State Historical Society, 1 Old State Capitol Plaza, Springfield, IL 62701-1507; telephone: 217/785-2635; fax: 217/734-9042.

The e-mail address is: ishs@eoinc.com. Interested businesses and organizations may download the Centennial Business application via the Internet at: <http://www.prairienet.org/ishs/centen.htm>.

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# FAMILY

## Hill-Miller wins award for recent book

Dr. Katherine C. Hill-Miller, a native of Granite City and daughter of Joe and Genevieve Hill of Edwardsville, has been awarded the Trustees Award for Scholarly Achievement for her recent book, "My Hideous Progeny": Mary Shelley, William Godwin, and the "Father-Daughter Relationship," published last year by the University of Delaware Press.

The Trustees Award for Scholarly Achievement is presented by the trustees of Long Island University to faculty members who publish works of exceptional scholarly merit. The

award carries a cash prize; it is presented at a ceremony honoring current and past recipients.

This year's award was presented to Hill-Miller in the Avram Family Gallery on the Southampton Campus of Long Island University in Southampton, N.Y. The awards address was given by Roger Rosenblatt, The Parsons Family University professor writing at Southampton College. The event was followed by a reception; members of the public were invited to attend.

## MILESTONES

Barb Steward celebrates her birthday today, July 20.  
David Gibson celebrates his 30th birthday today, July 20.  
Leo C. Bringer celebrates his 40th birthday today, July 20.  
Danielle Lynn Dickey celebrates her 4th birthday today, July 20.  
Jennifer Wise celebrates her 20th birthday today, July 20.  
Cathy Utz celebrates her 17th birthday today, July 20.  
Jon Christopher celebrates his birthday today, July 20.  
Susie Venable celebrates her 71st birthday today, July 20.  
Tienna and Tierra Holmes (twins) celebrate their 2nd birthday today, July 20.  
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a birthday July 21.  
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Gayle Mendez will celebrate her 27th birthday July 23.  
Michelle Huffman will celebrate her 14th birthday July 23.  
Jessie Boyle will celebrate her 7th birthday July 23.

Dan Rajawitz will celebrate his 58th birthday July 24.  
Theresa "Terry" Hanneman will celebrate her birthday July 24.  
Frank and Sue Bennett will celebrate their 7th anniversary July 24.  
Carol Kindie will celebrate her birthday July 25.  
Loyal and Nina Gunderson will celebrate their 27th anniversary July 25.  
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## Bethel Evangelical Church begins Bible club

Bethel Evangelical Free Church, 2450 Stratford Lane in Granite City, is having a 5-Day Club, sponsored by Child Evangelism Fellowship, beginning Monday, July 21.

The Bible club will meet from 1-2 p.m. Monday through Friday from July 21 - 25.

Boys, girls and parents are welcome to attend. Child Evangelism Fellowship, an international organization, is well known for their work with boys and girls all over the world.

They have a fast-moving one-hour session of Bible stories, games, and contests that keeps the attention of both children and adults. Refreshments will also be served.

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**  
Friends help increase your knowledge base and spur your competitive side. Joking with others gets you back on track. Someone younger than you can do no wrong. A Taurus attracts you like a magnet.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**  
Compliments come from many

directions. If an object of your affection is accidentally broken, take it philosophically. Communications tend to confuse you unless every detail is painstakingly spelled out. GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Keep it light—as you do so well. Sweet sentiments fall on your ears. In the afternoon, get to know someone who has intimidated you—he or she wants to be your friend now. Spare change adds up to a wonderful treat!

**CANCER (June 22-July 22)**  
A customary gesture has a personal touch of honesty. Those you call aren't in, but it wouldn't do to make plans, anyway—whatever is decided today is subject to change. You'll get a special price for ordinary work.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
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A goal is reached more quickly than you thought possible. Love with the boss? Blame your fatal attractiveness, but play it very safe in romances that could bring consequences to your career.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)**  
A last-minute decision becomes a major event. If traveling yourself, prepare for delays by taking a good book or your laptop computer. A Scorpio will help you save money. A

Taurus needs you.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)**  
Those who take your advice will be led to sure financial success. Make no commitments until next week, however. Family matters dominate the day. Investigate matters connected with property ownership.

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**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**  
Friends return your loyalty at crucial moments. The gang has plans for your

future, and they may be right. Check out your wardrobe for items needing mending—all sorts of details of this kind can be taken care of.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**  
You bring new life to a social or religious group. A date is broken, but it's not the fault of your love interest, so be understanding. Emotional talks and confrontations can be put off easily until another time.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**  
A friend will provide the contact you need to get ahead in business. Home is the place. Your love may have to work late or otherwise be absent, leaving you with time to catch up on daydreaming.

## WARNING!

### 'Contact' could cause you to think

Putting the science back in science fiction, "Contact" tackles not only the question of life on other planets, but the relationship between science and religion, and the role of government in extraterrestrial matters.

Based on the 1985 novel by Carl Sagan, "Contact" deals with aliens in a matter more in line with "Close Encounters of the Third Kind" than "Men In Black."

Jodie Foster stars as Ellie Arroway, a brilliant scientist who has been trying to make contact with distant beings all her life. As a young girl she calls out to people with her ham radio, and as an adult she uses giant radio telescope dishes in an attempt to find life in outer space.

When a listening post in Puerto Rico has its funding cut by her superior, presidential science advisor David Drumlin (Tom Skerritt), Foster is forced to go to private enterprise to continue her research. A mystery man provides the backing and Arroway and her staff are soon listening for sig-

nals in New Mexico on government-owned dishes.

Days before the government is about to take away their rights to the dishes, Arroway picks up a signal coming from the star Vega. The signal contains a mathematical message and video images of Adolf Hitler at the 1936 Olympic Games, one of the first images sent from the airwaves from Earth.

Enter the government, represented by national security advisor Michael Kitz (James Woods) and Drumlin, who wastes no time taking control of the situation and pushing Arroway aside.

But Arroway gets back in the game thanks to her mysterious benefactor, who reveals himself to be the eccentric, reclusive and very wealthy S.R. Hadden (John Hurt). Hadden's people have cracked the code of the message and Arroway takes that information to the people in charge.

The message turns out to be a set of instructions for building a device that will transport someone from Earth to Vega.

In an amazing show of international cooperation, the device gets built in four years and the competition begins to see who gets to go to make contact.

"Contact," while a welcome addition to a pretty mindless summer movie season, is not without its flaws. The film is two and a half hours long, and could have used some tighter editing.

Director Robert Zemeckis uses some of the same visual stunts that were popular in "Forrest Gump," but are unnecessary here. Two scenes of President Bill Clinton speaking about some vague topic are supposed to give the impression that he's really talking about the alien contact. It's not convincing.

The thoughtful plots brought up are brought down by stereotypes: Government (represented by Woods) sees all aliens as evil and world-threatening; religious fundamentalists are wackos who see science as evil.

The film also relies heavily on coincidence. Arroway has a brief fling early in the film

with a writer, Palmer Joss (Matthew McConaughey), who later turns up to be the president's spiritual advisor and plays a key role in deciding who gets to board the alien transport. And every time things go against Arroway, the mysterious Mr. Hadden turns up to make things right.

And ultimately, the film has to deal with the challenge of its premise: alien contact. A spectacular light show reminiscent of "2001: A Space Odyssey," and turns into standard science fiction psychobabble when Arroway meets a Vegan.

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### 'Men In Black' is funny, smart

By Ronnie Roy  
Staff writer

Last summer, Will Smith made the world safe from extra-terrestrial invaders and broke box office records with "Independence Day." This time, with the help of Tommy Lee Jones, he matches both accomplishments in the sci-fi comedy "Men In Black."

"Men In Black" is smart and funny with fine special effects and creature designs. Jones stars as a veteran member of the MIB, a top-secret agency that answers to no one and keeps track of the aliens among us. Apparently, Earth is a popular destination for all sorts of odd space creatures and the MIB basically leave them alone as long as they obey the rules and don't cause trouble.

But trouble is heading this way. A "bug" from the planet of giant cockroaches lands his ship near a farmhouse and commandeers the body of the nearby farmer (Vincent D'Onofrio). His goal is to kill an alien ambassador and steal a jewel in his possession. His motivation is unclear; apparently, bugs thrive on causing trouble and destruction. The bad attitude must come from years of being stepped on and swatted.

Meanwhile, a policeman (Smith) is chasing a criminal through the streets of Manhattan. There should be a tip-off that something's unusual when the crook scrambles up the side of the building like Spider-Man. The cop manages to run up several flights of stairs and still corner the thug on the roof. After performing some more super-human stunts, the mystery man warns of impending doom, then jumps to his death.

Enter Agent K (Jones). He's impressed by the young cop's skills and invites him to visit MIB headquarters. After an amusing test sequence, Smith's character is offered a chance to give up his identity and all ties to the past in exchange for a black suit, high-tech weapons and the responsibility of keeping the world safe from really illegal aliens. After a night of soul-searching on a park bench, he agrees and becomes Agent J.

Elsewhere, the cockroach-infested farmer has found and killed the alien ambassador, but does not find the jewels. The ambassador's people contact the MIB, and give them one hour to recover the jewel and return it to them, or they will destroy the planet.

"Men In Black" has a lot going for it, but not plot, a common failing of this summer's films. There are a lot of clever and funny bits here—the MIB use tabloid newspapers for up-to-date information on alien activities; a penlight device erases short-term memories from people who encounter aliens, so the MIB can give them new ones; a large screen shows images of aliens hiding among us, and several of them look very familiar.

Jones plays it just right as the experienced alien chaser. Nothing fazes him. Smith is also good as the amazed rookie. Also putting in good performances are Rip Torn as Zed, head of the MIB, and Linda Fiorentino as a medical examiner who gets caught up in the chase. Rick Baker comes up with a unusual variety of aliens to round out the cast.

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## NEWS

## Carving his niche

Handyman: woodworking takes humor, patience

By Jim Rygelski  
Staff writer

Bob Partney of Spanish Lake was never far from his home workshop, but it's only been in his retirement years that he's made the best of his time sawing, sanding and gluing.

Partney, 72, a former vice president of the Bank of St. Ann, has spent much of his time since 1982 fashioning kids' toys, teens' musical instruments and adults' decorative house ornaments.

"I was always pretty handy," he said, leading the way through his home. Every room sported his creations, always displayed in neat little rows. They wait to eventually be given to neighbors, family and friends.

He's never taken — or wanted — a dime for his efforts. "If people come in they don't go away empty-handed," he said. "I've never sold anything. I refuse to sell 'em."

When not working with wood, Partney might be collecting replicas of state and national flags; or patches worn by astronauts; or recordings of both popular and obscure musicians. His collections nestle in racks and display cases of his making.

"Need a CD holder?" he said to a visitor, showing how his woodworking skills extend to things small and simple.

"My one dying ambition is to make a harp that stands this high," Partney said, holding a hand above his six-foot frame.

"A 36-string harp." It will be a challenge.

"I don't know a thing about a harp," he said, adding he was eager to learn.

Partney plays the electric organ, another hobby he taught himself in his retirement, and has had a fascination with musical instruments that are probably less familiar to most North Countians. Those include a bowed psaltery, a mandolin and a mountain dulcimer.

While he doesn't play them, he plucks them, demonstrating they could be performed upon.

"That pretty cherry wood is what gets me," he said, noting the content of a mandolin.

He's also made a replica of an African stringed instrument called the kalimba. "People might know it as the thumb piano," he said.

His love of music extends to their household decorations, such as the doorbells he's made over the years to be hung outside a home or room entrance.

"I've set 'em to make a chord," he said, as the attached ball drops on the three strings.

"It might be C, it might be F. The secret is the wood on the side of these pegs. It must be real hard — oak or cherry. I have 165 of these on hand."

Partney's interest in woodworking really began as he produced toys for his grandchildren. He showed some simple tops and a more advanced "trapeze man," which allows a

younger to manipulate a puppet.

"Here's one I don't have a name for," he said, pointing to a box supporting 18 crossed sticks. A metal ball is balanced on the sticks, and as it rolls from one end to the other the challenge is to keep it from falling off.

He started assembling large doll houses from kits, hoping his now-grown daughters would want them. They didn't, but he continues to tinker with the interiors, building small furniture, including a doll house within a doll house.

Partney said he can often spend an entire day on a project and not realize the passing of time.

"I might start at 4 a.m. and quit at midnight," he said. His idea of good woodworking includes the humorous and serious.

"If you want to see a good workshop, it's one where it'll take you an hour to find a tool," he said, laughing at the appearance of his sawdust-covered work area. Yet he is quick to add: "Never hurry to see the end of the job. You must make your time."

Giving his work away is the real reward, he said.

"I don't need money. I never had it, but I've had enough. I get more of a good feeling inside."

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THURSDAY, July 24 — Hot dog on bun, potato rounds, mixed fruit, milk.

FRIDAY, July 25 — Grilled cheese sandwich, celery and carrot sticks, fresh apple wedges, milk.

## Kindergarten class honored

St. Elizabeth School honored Cindy Van Loo's kindergarten Class of 1997 in a graduation ceremony May 20 at St. Elizabeth Church.

Those receiving diplomas were Jocelyn Alegre, Meghan Anderson, Kristen Buzan, Tyler Carney, Theresa Cook, Megan Dittman, Jacob Finch, Kaiti Hartwick, Cassie Herzing, Megan Himes, Stephen Kline, Whitney Lake, Jayne Law, Emily Miosky, Mark Mullen, Lara Patterson, Garrett Perdue, Kasey Presswood, Zachary Ratliff, Emily Rickert-Winn, Cory Ross, Sam Ruesing, Jesse Vilner, Eriane Wiesehan and Christian Wise.

## Adopt-a-pet Saturday

The Madison County Humane Society is holding an adopt-a-pet day from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday, July 26, at PetsMart in O'Fallon.

Puppies, dogs, kittens and cats are available for adoption. The cost of adopting a dog is \$60 and includes a rabies shot, DHLPP, collar, leash, id tag and \$15 spay/neuter deposit. Cat adoptions are \$40.

## Court decision clears way for Art Museum, Arena

By Ellen Ellick  
Staff writer

Mayor Clarence Harmon's vision for the Arena site is not of a suburban-style office park, an idea pushed by former Mayor Freeman Bosley Jr.

Harmon said he thinks the site might provide space for some office buildings as well as residential construction, but he also wants to see "something cultural" there.

He said he looks for a combination of institutional and commercial use on the site when he begins reviewing proposals, something which may begin soon.

Harmon said he hopes any development at the Arena site also would serve the needs of nearby educational institutions.

"I don't envision only an office park," he said. Harmon's comments came after a Missouri Supreme Court decision cleared the way both for expansion of the St. Louis Art Museum in Forest Park and for development of the Arena site.

Both projects had been in limbo because of a suit filed by environmentalists opposing expansion of the Art Museum in Forest Park.

After the Missouri Supreme Court refused to consider the suit filed by the Citizens to Protect Forest Park, the group conceded defeat; and Art Museum officials said they were ready to plan for an expansion which will involve making the current museum earthquake-proof, adding more galleries and classrooms, and constructing an underground parking lot.

The Friends to Protect Forest Park earlier had gathered enough signatures to force a referendum on the Art Museum's plans. But a state appeals court last month ruled that the acre expansion could proceed without a public vote.

The group then appealed to the state Supreme Court, which decided to let the lower

Any development at the Arena site also would serve the needs of nearby educational institutions. 'I don't envision only an office park.'

— Clarence Harmon

court's decision stand. In January, the City of St. Louis and museum officials agreed to the expansion. In exchange, the museum promised \$11 million toward park improvements and the redevelopment of the Arena site. With the lawsuit creating uncertainty about those funds, plans for the Arena site development and some Forest Park projects stalled.

Aldermanic President Francis G. Slay defended the St. Louis Board of Aldermen's decision to lease four acres in Forest Park to the Art Museum for its expansion plans.

"This was a long-term effort with a lot of public input," he said, noting that the current Art Museum plan requires only four acres compared to a proposal a few years ago that would have used 26 acres.

Slay said the Art Museum expansion was approved in the Forest Park Master Plan, which provides for a net increase of green space in Forest Park.

Slay said the master plan did a good job of balancing environmental considerations with the "needs and demands of a major cultural institution that wanted to spend \$120 million to stay in the park."

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Contact (PG) 1:15, 4:30, 7:20, 10:05

**CARMIKE PETITE**  
1-70 and Hwy. 157, Collinsville, Ill. 344-1708  
Face Off (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00  
George Of The Jungle (PG) 1:30, 3:45, 7:30, 9:45  
Contact (PG-13) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 10:00  
Men In Black (PG-13) 1:15, 3:30, 7:15, 9:30

**EASTGATE CINE**  
Eastgate Plaza, E. Alton, Ill. 264-5289  
Men In Black (PG-13) 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 9:50  
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George Of The Jungle (PG) 1:00, 4:00, 6:45, 9:20  
My Best Friend's Wedding (PG-13) 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:00  
Nothing To Lose (R) 2:15, 4:30, 7:00, 9:15  
A Simple Wish (PG) 2:30, 5:00, 7:15, 9:30

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**LINCOLN THEATER**  
103 E. Main, Belleville, Ill. 233-0123  
Speed 2 (PG-13) 1:00, 7:00, 9:25  
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## BIRTHS

### Harrington, Jordan Wayne

**SHERY AND JERRY D. HARRINGTON JR.** of Granite City have announced the birth of a son, Jordan Wayne was born at 5:40 p.m. May 13, 1997, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in Creve Coeur Mo. He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and joins Jared Donald, 4.

His maternal grandparents are Shelby and Carroll Siebert of Granite City.

Jane and Jerry Harrington Sr. of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

### Beatty, Cierra Nicole

**CURTIS AND KATHY BEATTY** of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Cierra Nicole was born at 12:22 p.m. May 14, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 8 pounds 13 ounces and joins Cody, 5.

Her maternal grandparents are John and Rosemary Kocer of Granite City.

Coleman and Patricia Beatty of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

### Bergman, Alyson Nicole

**MARK AND TERESA BERGMAN** of Cahokia have announced the birth of their second child, a daughter.

Alyson Nicole was born at 3:48 a.m. April 30, 1997, at St. John's Mercy Medical Center in St. Louis. She weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces and joins Ashley.

Her maternal grandparents are Fred and Arlene Podhrasky of Cahokia.

Doris Bergman of Cahokia and the late Bob Bergman are the paternal grandparents.

### Robbins, Randi Mae

**STEPHEN AND PAMELA ROBBINS** of Granite City have announced the birth of a daughter.

Randi Mae was born at 7:04 p.m. May 8, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 8 pounds, 3 ounces and joins Jessica Rae, 4.

Her maternal grandparents are Everett and Mary Hancock of Granite City and Fran Koon of Metairie, La.

Marge Robbins and Jim Black of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

### Askins, Braydan Chase

**DANIEL AND NICOLE ASKINS** of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Braydan Chase was born at 5:15

p.m. May 14, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces, and joins Jordan, 2.

His maternal grandparents are Robert and Alice Brummitt of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Daniel and Gwen Askins of Granite City.

### Pinnix, Khalia Pauletta

**HELEN HYSTER** of Venice has announced the birth of a daughter.

Khalia Pauletta was born at 1:25 a.m. May 15, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces and joins a sister, Khadijah Monique Pinnix.

Her maternal grandparents are Ruby Hyter of Venice and Carl Williams of Madison.

### Williams, Tawni Nicole

**TAD AND TINA WILLIAMS** of Edwardsville have announced the birth of a daughter.

Tawni Nicole was born at 12:53 p.m. May 15, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. She weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are David and Barbara McKee of Mount Zion.

Pete and Sue Williams of Decatur are the paternal grandparents.

### Patterson, Braden Frederick

**FREDERICK AND STACEY PATTERSON** of Troy have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Braden Frederick was born at 8:03 p.m. May 15, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces and joins a sister, Alyssa Ann, 3.

His maternal grandparents are Keith and Joanne Isenberg of Troy.

Robert and Carol Patterson of Troy are the paternal grandparents.

Great-grandparents are Matilda Peroutka of St. Louis and Thelma Isenberg and Emma Loyet of Troy.

### Gonzalez, Alfonso Luis

**ALFONSO AND MELANIE GONZALEZ** of Granite City have announced the birth of a son.

Alfonso Luis was born at 5:06 a.m. May 15, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 8 pounds, 14 ounces, and joins a sister, Jellina M. Wood.

Her maternal grandparents are Clara Wood of Granite City.

Paternal grandparents are Luis and Maria Gonzalez of Fairmont City.

### Vanyo, Mason Lee

**MARK AND ROBIN VANYO** of Granite City have announced the

birth of their second child, a son.

Mason Lee was born at 1:30 p.m. May 12, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce, and joins Riley, 3.

His maternal grandparents are Larry and Sharon Earmey of Granite City.

Howard Pyle and Charlotte Pyle of Granite City and Andrew and Rita Vanyo of Sun City, Ariz., are the paternal grandparents.

### Briagas, Jamie Mariah

**CARLOS AND JENNIFER BRIAGAS** of Granite City have announced the birth of a daughter.

Jamie Mariah was born at 3:33 p.m. May 12, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center in Granite City. She weighed 6 pounds, 7 ounces, and joins Gina, 6; Maria, 5; Carlos, 4; and Ramon, 2.

Her maternal grandparents are Mark Edwards of Edwardsville and Paula Ortiz of St. Louis.

Martin Briagas and Hilda Vasquez of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

### Hoffman, Matthew Alan

**ALAN AND CHARIS HOFFMAN** of Granite City have announced the birth of their second child, a son.

Matthew Alan was born at 1:25 p.m. May 8, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 8 pounds, 15 ounces, and joins Jessica, 3.

His maternal grandparents are William Scaggs Jr. of Stuart, Tenn.

Ed Hoffman of Granite City is the paternal grandfather.

### Boeck, Rachel Marie

**ART AND CARLA BOECK** of Gillespie have announced the birth of a daughter.

Rachel Marie was born at 7:05 a.m. May 10, 1997, at Barnes-Jewish Hospital in St. Louis. She weighed 5 pounds, 12 ounces.

Her maternal grandparents are Charles Voloski of Madison and the late Julia Voloski.

### Chronister, Charles Alan

**CHARLES AND AMY CHRONISTER** of Troy have announced the birth of a son.

Charles Alan was born at 1:18 p.m. May 11, 1997, at Anderson Hospital in Maryville. He weighed 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

His maternal grandparents are Luanne Overton of Pulaiki, Tenn., and Alan Barnes of Stantonville, Tenn.

Janet Chronister of Granite City is the paternal grandmother.

## Precautions urged for lead paint

For young children, summer means more time to play. For parents, it should be a time to take precautions to make sure children are safe from exposure to lead hazards, particularly if a family lives in a home built prior to 1978.

Lead paint dust in open window wells and lead paint chips in the soil around the home can pose a real hazard for young children. Some playground equipment, imported crayons, and improperly glazed pottery can also be sources of lead. Certain cosmetics and folk remedies have high lead contents, as do some miniblinds, calcium supplements, and hair dyes.

According to data collected by the Illinois Department of Public Health, the number of children with significantly elevated blood lead levels—greater than 20 micrograms per deciliter—increases by 13 percent during the summer months.

"Lead is an insidious poison that can lurk on the window sills and along baseboards and foundations," said Dr. John Lumpkin, state public health director. "Children are its frequent victims, especially those who are 3 years of age and younger, since this is a time when their hand-to-mouth activities make it more likely for them to ingest or inhale lead from paint chips or dust."

Despite a nationally declining prevalence in recent years, lead poisoning still poses a serious threat for Illinois children.

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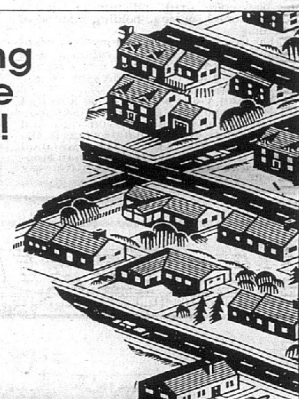
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## IN THE MILITARY

**ARMY PVT. REBECCA A. ROBINSON** has graduated from basic military training at Fort Jackson in Columbia, S.C.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, justice, first aid, Army history and traditions.

Robinson is the daughter of John W. and Roberta S. Belovich of Granite City.

She is a 1997 graduate of Granite City Senior High School.

**ARMY PVT. JEFFREY J. ELLIS** has graduated from basic military training and advanced individual training at the U.S. Army Infantry School at Fort Benning in Columbus, Ga.

During basic training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, map reading, tactics, military customs and courtesies and first aid. Trainees develop combat skills and handle various weapons available to the infantry soldier.

During advanced individual training, soldiers received instruction to become qualified light-weapon infantrymen and indirect-fire crewmen in a rifle or mortar squad.

Instruction included weapons qualifications, tactics, patrolling, field communications, combat operations and survival during a nuclear, chemical or biological attack.

Ellis is the son of John E. and Audrey J. Ellis of Madison.

**ANGELA R. TURNER** has been promoted in the U.S. Air Force to the rank of staff sergeant.

In addition, she has been decorated with the Air Force Commendation Medal. The medal is awarded to those individuals who demonstrate outstanding achievement or meritorious service in the performance of their duties on behalf of the Air Force.

Turner is a senior security control supervisor assigned to the 377th Security Police Squadron at Kirtland Air Force Base in Albuquerque, N.M.

She is the daughter of Julian D. and Jennie K. King of Granite City.

The sergeant is 1986 graduate of Granite City Senior High School.

**NAVY PETTY OFFICER 2ND CLASS WILLIAM E. COLBERT**, whose wife, Amber, is the daughter of Hantz and Nancy Pierce of Granite City, recently participated in the Navy's "Fleet Week '97" in New York City aboard the multi-purpose amphibious assault ship USS Wasp, homeported in Norfolk, Va.

Colbert's ship played a significant role in attending the Navy's annual "shipboard get-together."

Fleet Week historically and traditionally recognizes our sailors and marines as truly dedicated service members of the armed forces. Colbert's positive devotion to duty and his ship marks a significant cornerstone in naval traditions.

In addition, the service members participated in community relations projects, local parades, sporting events and were even featured by the local media. Festivities included parties, balls, receptions, professional sports events and enjoying New York City.

The 1991 graduate of Oakville Senior High School of St. Louis joined the Navy in October 1991.

## Neighborhood Watch meeting Monday

A Neighborhood Watch meeting will be held at 6 p.m. Monday, July 21, at the Venice Township Senior Center, 910 Madison Ave., Madison.

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# AUTOMOTIVE

## Dodge



### Dodge Ram SST is pickup truck with attitude

By Tom Strongman

My buddy Steve said it best: "All trucks should sound like this."

He's right. We felt pretty cool with that loud-enough-to-be-naughty V-8 exhaust belching through the window as we rumbled out of the park with our muddy bikes in the back. A tough-sounding exhaust is as much a part of the pickup mystique as big tires and chrome wheels.

The Dodge Ram SST, or Super Sport Truck, is a hot rod pickup designed for playing hard, not hard work. Based on a 6.5-foot short-box, full-size Ram 1500, the two wide silver racing stripes, like those on the Viper GTS coupe, are an instant identifier.

But the SST package is not just cosmetic. The real guts are underneath. The key ingredient is its 5.9-liter V-8, which pumps 245 horsepower through a sport-tuned exhaust. Backing it up are 17-inch alloy wheels, fog lights, body-color grill and bumper, and a suspension tuned for road-holding instead of load hauling.

In other words, this is a factory version of the kind of truck enthusiasts might create with after-market accessories. It's fun, it's macho and it goes like the dickens if you give it the whip.

The Magnum V-8 is as brawny as a weight lifter. Punch the throttle and its 335 foot-pounds of torque will snatch you right out from under your cowboy hat (torque is the force that spins the wheels when you pull away from a stop). It snorts away from stoplights like a stallion and zips down freeway ramps with glee.

With barely any weight on its back wheels, however, it can be a handful if you're careless with the throttle, especially in the rain, when it behaves like the road was covered with ice. Otherwise, it's great fun.

Fortunately, our truck was equipped with the optional four-wheel, anti-lock brakes that maintain stability when braking in the wet or dry. Yours should be, too.

Slipping into the cabin, you are greeted by a wide, split-back vinyl seat whose large center section is also a fold-down armrest and storage space. Inside it has compartments for the kinds of things that litter your vehicle: cassette tapes, cell phone, maps and note pads. For folks who work out of their trucks this layout is an invaluable aid; for everybody else it is as handy as a Swiss Army knife.

Our test truck was equipped with a modular storage unit of various sized bins mounted on the back of the cab that is part of the Laramie SLT package. It is a terrific way to use space that otherwise would be wasted and keep the extraneous junk from floating around the cabin.

The rest of the Laramie SLT package includes air conditioning, cruise control, tilt wheel, split-bench seat, overhead console, power mirrors and aluminum wheels.

The Ram debuted in 1994, and was an immediate success and has stolen truck sales from each of its competitors. Its rugged styling, which pays homage to big rigs, has set it apart from other trucks. Its user-friendly interior is dotted with multiple cup holders and storage nooks that made it the standard by which other pickups were judged until Ford brought out its redesigned



F-series in 1996.

The SST is clearly a truck targeted at young folks. It emphasizes fun, sporty driving, has a great stereo and doesn't cost an arm and a leg, relatively speaking. If you can get past the stripes, which look cool but draw way too much attention, it is a fun alternative to a sports coupe that doesn't sacrifice any of the practicality of a truck.

The base price of our test truck was \$15,880. It had a long list of options, including the Laramie SLT decor group (\$3,535) and the SST package (\$1,360) which were detailed above.

The sticker price was \$24,535. The basic warranty is for three years or 36,000 miles.

Point: The SST is aimed at young buyers who want a sports truck. It goes fast, looks tough and has one of the most user-friendly cabins of any truck.

Counterpoint: The SST is pretty thirsty, and the racing stripes are a bit too gaudy for everyday driving.

### Museum houses treasures, oddities

By Rick Stoff

Dearborn, Mich., is one of those places where you can taste the history in the air. After all, you're walking in the footsteps of Henry Ford as you wander among some of mankind's most famous and significant vehicles.

The Henry Ford Museum opened in 1929. It is owned by a private foundation but still sits in the midst of Ford Motor Co. complexes a short distance from Interstate 94 just west of downtown Detroit.

The museum shares a side street with Ford's prototype shop and proving grounds. These are surrounded by a concrete wall, so it is impossible to see the cars of the future. But there is plenty from the past to see inside the museum.

Ground for the museum was broken by Thomas Edison. His signature remains on display in a slab of concrete at the museum entrance, along with the shovel (once used by biologist Luther Burbank) used for the occasion.

Anyone who has ever read three or more automobile magazines will be in awe of the cars, as many have been featured time and time again for their historic significance in the development of their breed.

There's an 1836 Duryea, the only surviving example of the car recognized as the first commercially manufactured car in the U.S. Enclosed in a glass case is Ford's tiny quadricycle, the first experimental car built by Ford himself. Both appear to be restored well past original condition, but many of the vehicles parked inside the building look original and authentic 1/2 you can almost smell the oil and leather.

It is hard to believe, but there are people alive today who have never heard of Barney Oldfield. A highlight of the museum, although it seemed to attract little notice from other museum visitors, is the car known as a crude but powerful car raced by Ford and Oldfield early in the century. It set a world record of 91.4 mph in 1902.

There is some other racing history, unceremoniously parked in a back corner before cobwebbed windows. Jim Clark's 1965 Indy Lotus, Bill Elliott's record-holding (212 mph) NASCAR Thunderbird. A 1955 Mercedes-Benz 300 SLR raced by Stirling Moss and Juan Manuel Fangio. The Ford GT40 that won LeMans in 1967, complete with the roof bubble needed to accommodate tall Dan Gurney's helmet.

Henry himself also collected a lot of odds and ends: Charles Lindbergh's Excelsior motorcycle. Tom Thumb's 3-foot-tall enclosed circus parade carriage; the Ford Trimotor used by Admiral Richard E. Byrd to make the first flight over the South Pole in 1926; the chair in which Abraham Lincoln was assassinated.

Many items, of course, have been added to the collection since Henry's time. One of the most attractive is a 1935 Texaco Streamliner Tanker parked in front of an authentic 1940 Texaco station and near one of the Holiday Inn rooms.

There are a number of presidential limousines, including the Lincoln Continental in which John F. Kennedy was shot. Another oddity collected by Henry Ford was a test tube containing Thomas Edison's last breath.

There's really too much more to list, from horse-drawn vehicles, agricultural implements and steam locomotives, to the first working helicopter and models for cars of tomorrow. You've got to see them yourself.

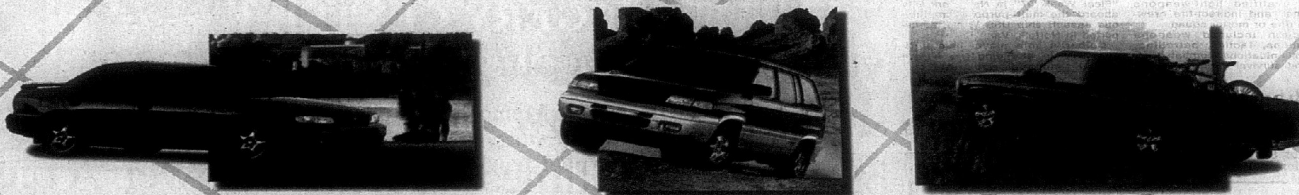
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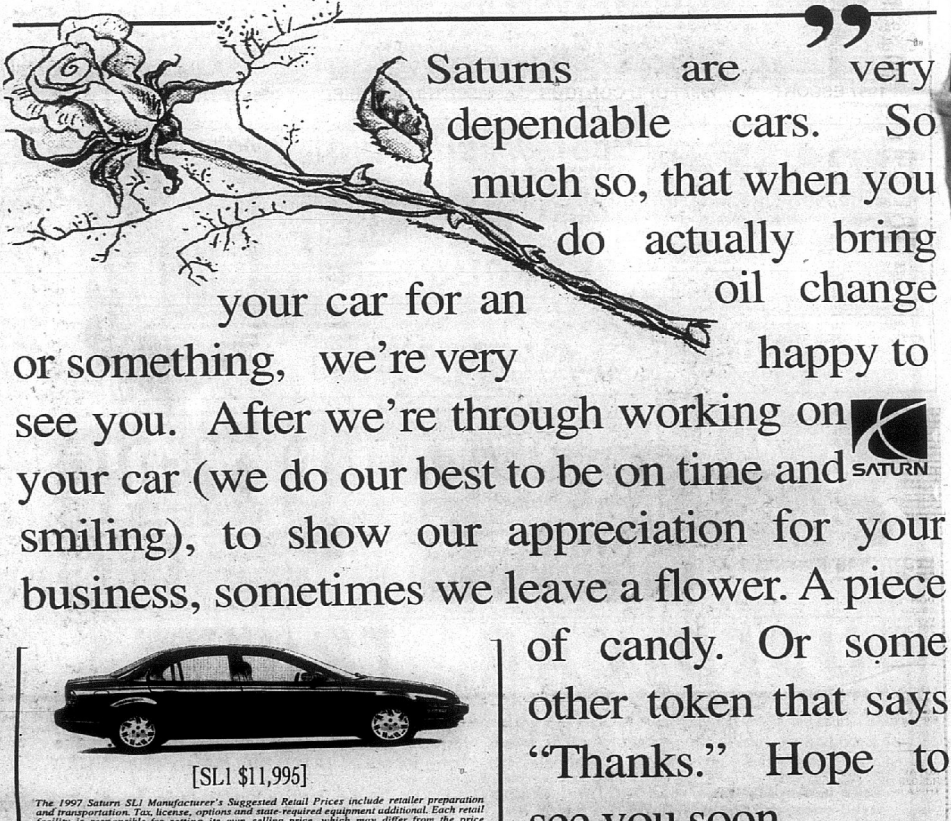


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**SUNVILLE, \$169,900**  
**LIVING!** Beautiful  
 in Collinswood. Over  
 full bmnt., cherry  
 island in kitchen, mar-  
 & bay window, fami-  
 ster suite w/cathedral  
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**DIRECTIONS:** 159 to  
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BRR in Cottonwood  
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**TO SELL! 4BR ranch**  
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**CE!** Spacious 3BR 1 1/2  
 bme includes family  
 fireplace and heated  
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**READY TO DEAL!**  
**THE LOT, COUNTRY**  
 Troy School! New  
 3 B.R.'s, fireplace,  
 ceilings, large family  
 great room. \$93,900.  
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**DI WOODED LOT! 2**  
BR's, 3-car garage,  
deck, finished bsmt., of-  
fice & rec room. Low  
utilities.  
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**981 WEATHERVANE**  
TROY, \$133,000  
COUNTRY LIVING CLOSE TO  
INTERSTATE 48R 2 story, family  
room, formal DR, 2 car garage,  
full bath. DIRECTIONS: From  
trage Rd. to Longfellow, right on  
Weatherlane to top of hill.

**OPEN 2-4 PM**  
14 KNOLL DR.,  
COLLINGSVILLE, \$85,900  
REDUCED! PEACEFUL, COUNTRY  
SETTING ON 1.63 acres.  
Ranch home w/2 car garage &  
walkout basement, family room  
w/ fireplace, walks out to deck  
overlooking lovely view & com-  
pletely fenced yard. One home  
allowed. DIRECTIONS: W. Main  
(Marydel) to south on Keebler to  
left on Knoll Dr.

**45 SUNSET HILLS DR.**  
EDWARDSVILLE, \$289,000  
YOU'LL BE SPEECHLESS at the  
sight of this exceptionally  
spacious, luxurious home. Im-  
mediate possession. Too many  
features to mention. DIRECTIONS:  
157 to Sunset Hills Country  
Club entrance to Country Club  
to Sunset.

**524 WHIPPOORWILL**  
TROY, \$106,900  
NEAT RANCH LOCATED WITH  
EXTRAS! This 3BR brick combo  
includes 6 panel wood doors,  
Andersen windows, attic fan,  
privacy fence, assumable VA  
loan. DIRECTIONS: Rt. 162 to  
Ripple Rd., right on Rte. 162, right on  
Whippoorwill. HOSTESS: Jan  
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**1729 DUKE**  
EDWARDSVILLE, \$123,000  
CUSTOM QUALITY HOME!  
Upgraded kitchen, sunning bring  
room & vaulted ceiling, large  
finished basement with upgraded bar  
& woodburner w/blower. DIRECTIONS:  
Harvard to right on  
Vassar right on Amherst left on  
Duke.

**LOT 55 COUNTRY LAKE EST.**  
COLLINGSVILLE, \$235,900  
BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY STYLE  
2 STORY with garage off the first  
floor master suite & sun filled  
breakfast room, 4 BR's, 4 baths,  
great room w/ fireplace, 3 car  
garage. Quality construction.  
DIRECTIONS: S. Mulberry  
to Country Lake Estate, Oakleigh to  
S. Lindemont.

**6758 E. MAIN**  
MARYSVILLE, \$181,500  
REDUCED PRICE! CAPE  
COD ON WOODED LOT!  
HARDY 4BR/4BA, MASSIVE  
fireplace, french doors to 12x13  
sun room, upgraded floor cover-  
ing, A MUST SEE DREAM

**41 CHELSEA**  
COLLINGSVILLE, \$177,500  
KNIGHTSBRIDGE! NEW CON-  
STRUCTION! 1 1/2 story open  
room, marble fireplace, hardwood  
floors, ceramic tile, balcony  
overlooking entry foyer, main  
floor master suite w/bath

**17 FINE LIVING**  
COLLINGSVILLE, \$169,900  
ELEGANT LIVING! Beautiful  
4BR home in Collingswood. Over  
2450 sq. ft., full bath, cherry  
cabinets & island in kitchen, marble  
fireplace & bay window, fami-  
ly room, excellent walk-in-closets



**408 CRESTWOOD EST. DR. COLLINSVILLE 149,900**  
**REAR PORCH TRADITIONAL 4BR**  
 2 story, fireplace, 3-car garage, 3300 sqft, multi-baths. DIRECTIONS: go to W. Main to right on Westwood to right on Crestwood to left to Crestwood East.

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**FABULOUS, FABULOUS**  
 HOME! 1 1/2 story of  
 lot, finished LR, MANY custom  
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**JAN OR TERRY 288-1954.**

**REDUCED! NICE LITTLE**  
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**PARK-LIKE SETTING!**  
 Beautiful home with 5  
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**FULL BRICK BANCH! GREAT**  
**FOR ENTERTAINING! 3 1/2**  
**acres, full DR, family room, 2**  
**stone fireplaces, alarm system,**  
**remodeled kitchen & bath, finished**  
**basement, 2nd floor laundry**  
**bed & possible 4th BR, 2 patios,**  
**2 car garage, 2nd floor laundry**  
**garage. \$134,900. #C15074.**  
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**REDUCED!**  
**PRICED TO SELL! 4BR ranch**  
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**DON'T MISS THIS ONE! 4**  
**BRs, 3 baths, approx. 2300**  
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**cherry cabinets, in spacious lit.**  
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**REDUCED! CUSTOM BRANCH**  
4 BR's, 2 1/2 baths, full kitchen, full bath, full basement, 2 car garage, deck, pool, 20'x40' eq. lot. \$119,900. #24881 **MARY PORTER 345-8136.**



**DOLL HOUSE!** Completely updated home, hardwood floors \$49,800. #24069 JAN or TERRY 285-1944.



**REDUCED! BRICK RANCH!**  
3 BR's, 2 1/2 baths, 2 fireplaces, wooded lot, 2350 sq ft. \$82,500. #24772 **MARY PORTER 345-8136.**



**3 BR RANCH** with wood-burnt, oversized garage & fence, back yard. Brand new woodwork, furnace and A/C's, just off Hardwood Road, totally updated bath and kitchen. Must see! Estimated \$72,000. #24007 **MARY PORTER 345-8136.**



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**REDUCED! BUDGET PLEASING PRICE!** Spacious SBR 11 story home includes family room w/fireplace and heated 2-car dr. garage. \$60,000. #280-0867. **DIANE WAGNER**



**SELLER READY TO DEAL!** 1 1/2 ACRE LOT, COUNTRY SENSING, Two School New home, 3 BR's, fireplace, cathedral ceilings, large family room & great room. \$93,900. #24886 **MARY PORTER 345-8136.**



**REDUCED! WOODED LOT!** 6 story, 4 BR's, 3-car garage, covered double carport, 2nd floor, 5th BR & rec room, lower level, 2nd floor. \$124,900. #24084 **MARY PORTER 345-8136.**



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